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of a resignation the Balfour Ministry has practically gone out of office and Campbell-Bannerman is tentatively Premier of Britain and Ireland and has till next Monday to select his Ministry. It would have been quite possible for Mr. Balfour to have retained office until after a general election, but it is supposed he showed good tactics by resigning and letting his opponents make their position clear before an appeal is made to the electorate. However, on a previous occasion the British Liberals adopted the same policy to their own disaster, and it is evident that in the Old Country partizanship does not go to the length of using the election machinery to the discomfiture of the Opposition.

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"We solemnly assert that no new system of government in Ireland will be accepted as satisfactory except a Legislative Assembly, freely elected and representative of the people, with power to make laws for Ireland, and an executive Government responsible to that Assembly; and this convention declares that the Irish National party cannot exter into an alliance with or give permanent transfer. not enter into an alliance with or give permanent support to any English party or Government, which does not make the question of granting such an Assembly and Executive to Ireland the cardinal point of its programme."

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It is hardly likely that in order to obtain the support of the Irish Nationalists the new Liberal Government will adopt the suicidal policy which was the ruin of their predecessors of the same political faith. I happened to be in London when the Conservatives were returned to power, largely on the Irish question, by an overwhelming majority, and it was wonderful with what unanimity the old-time Liberal's expressed the opinion that the defeat of their party was necessary to the nation's stability. There can have been but little change of opinion since then, for the Irish party has been demonstrating more clearly than ever that Home Rule means Rome Rule. Canadians have frequently quoted the autonomy of Quebec as an evidence of the possibility of Ireland ceasing to be aggressive and becoming thoroughly contented if allowed a parliament of its own and autonomy such as the French-Canadian province of Canada possesses. Home rule of Quebec, as we all know, means Rome rule, and it does not take a strong imagination to see Ireland becoming still more subservient to the clergy and much more disloyal to Great Palicain under circumstances of self-governments of sayon. Britain under circumstances of self-government so favor-able to the growth of sedition.

However, the Irish question will probably occupy a small place in the Liberal programme. The educational question in England will be much more prominent; and that, together with Chamberlain's protectionist propaganda, will chiefly absorb the electors.

H ON. MR. TARTE, commenting in his paper on Mgr. Langevin's circular asking the Catholics of Saskatchewan to oppose Mr. Haultain, says that it is the "first time since 1896 that an episcopal document has called on electors of a province to give their support to one party against another." Though Mr. Tarte and the Liberals made a great handle of the episcopal opposition to them in 1896, as a flagrant misuse of the power of the Hierarchy, and a scandalous intrusion into secular politics, the ex-Minister now takes a different view of similar conduct. He affirms that Protestant preachers wiolently criticized from their pulpits Sir Wilfrid's policy during the by-elections, and he submits that on the same principle Mgr. Langevin has a right to champion what he believes to be the rights of Catholics. Furthermore, he writes, "We ask the Globe what difference there is (we speak from a political and constitutional point of view) between a Protestant minister who expresses his prefer ences in a church and a bishop who states his opinions in

The difference is as great as could be possibly conceived. A bishop assumes and is granted by his church the right to direct the people of his diocese, not only in spiritual matters but in those political and educational affairs which he affirms come within his sphere as one in affairs which he athrms come within his sphere as one in abcolute charge of what his flock must believe and do. This power gives him an immense political influence over his people and the elasticity of his "sphere" is something remarkable. Some years ago the Archbishop of Toronto claimed the right to direct the actions of the Separate school trustees, affirmed in effect that they were directly under the authority of the Church in every respect, and and sileneed. The Bishop of Peterborough affirmed that the Church owned the Separate school houses and won out against the opposition of his laity. The Bishop of Ottawa claimed to own the teachers and a right to arrange the curriculum, and won out, though opposed by a small frac-tion of liberal churchmen. Archbishop Cleary of Kingston claimed to own the children attending, or who should attend, Separate schools, and threatened with excommunication all those who refused to deliver their progeny at the door of the confessional school, and practically established his claim. Another bishop claimed that the Church had a right to choose the text-books and pos-sessed a right to say what should be in them, but the On-tario Government was so scandalized that they dare not yield. No bishop or preacher in any Protestant denomination claims to have, or to have a right to speak for his church as possessing, these tremendous powers, or to send out a circular to be read in all other churches of a out a circular to be read in an other churches of a diocese as Mgr. Langevin did. The power is not claimed by any non-Catholic priest, preacher, pastor, bishop or moderator to excommunicate his religious adherents who refuse to vote or act according to his direction in educational or politico-educational or even semi-religious matters. If any non-Catholic church dignitary in Canada were to threaten to put any of his parish oners under the ban and deny the rites of baptism. marriage or burial to those connected with families refusing

marriage or burial to those connected with families refusing to send their children to schools according to his directions, he would be hooted out of his pulpit and so ostracized or laughed at as to drive him from the country.

This, then, Mr. Tarte, is the difference between a preacher saying from his pulpit, as too few of them dld, that the Sir Wilfrid Laurier who complained of being put under the ban of his church in 1896 was doing in 1905 the Jesuitical work of those who had formerly denounced him; and the Archbishop who in 1895, 1896 and in all the years intervening between then and 1905 has been dragooning the people of Manitoba and the North-West into a demand for "real" Separate schools, and has just issued a circular practically demanding the co-operation of his co-religionists for the political overthrow of Mr. Haultain. A non-Catholic preacher may have considerable influence over the votes preacher may have considerable influence over the votes

of his congregation, but he takes his job in his hand if he tries to exercise it. The Hierarchy, on the other hand, are instructed to lose no opportunity to gain and use all the political power they can coax or bully out of both friends and opponents. The difference between the bishop and the preacher as far as political power goes is certainly so great that Mr. Tarte's argument, specious and pleasant as it must be to the French-Canadians, sounds absurd in the ears of the people of this province—a people who do not go to their pastors for political instruction in semias it must be to the French-Canadians, sounds absurd in the ears of the people of this province—a people who do not go to their pastors for political instruction in semireligious or even in educational matters.

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the first thought of those who are affronted by a news-paper or public man, or even an actress, is to organize a mob and make a violent demonstration—a demonstration M R. J. S. HENDRIE, chairman of the Railway Committee of the Legislative Assembly, in accordance with his promise made in the Legislature last session, called together last Tuesday all the municipalities, individuals and corporations interested in the revision and consolidation of the railway, electric and street railway acts of this province. The meeting was large and representative, and discussed the possible safeguards which should be afforded the public, the rights to be given to private corporations, and in fact everything connected with this very important subject. Mr. Hendrie's conduct of the Railway Committee last session showed

fact that the attendance at the Normal and Model schools has been rapidly falling off, particularly in male students, and it is probably for the ultimate good of the teaching profession that this is true.

Up to the present the stock of teachers has shown an analysis of the control of th

overplus and candidates have been observed rushing numerously for every small opening and cutting prices to get the job. A new condition of things seems to be developing, however. Young people are not hurrying to become pedagogues to the extent that they formerly did, become pedagogues to the extent that they formerly did, and the number of efficient teachers, particularly among the men, is becoming noticeably smaller. It may be considered strange that the standard of efficiency has not even been maintained as a result of the higher technical training now compulsory on the part of students before they are allowed to teach. Many of the most prominent men in Canada to-day started life by teaching on nonprofessional certificates. They were noor boys and on the control of the co professional certificates. They were poor boys, and on their upward climb they gave the best of their young energies and brains to the service of the Little Red School-house. The clearest minds and steadiest characters in the country are found among the lads who set out, depending on their own resources, to make something of themselves, with the firm determination that they could not be held back from success. Such boys make the sort of teachers that are needed. Now, until they can be pedagogically polished off at the Normal school they are forced to earn a livelihood by selling fruit trees or peddling books or something of the sort. With a third-class certificate now extinct, they could then take a school and go on preparing for matriculation. If our teachers are better technically but poorer practically something is radically wrong. Much could be accomplished towards raising the standard of the teaching profession if a more liberal policy were adopted by boards of education. Perhaps if teachers become much scarcer and undesirable ones have to be accepted in order to keep the schools open, school boards will wake up and see the unwisdom of forcing professional training together with penury and privation upon the men and women who are expected to impress upon the young their first duty—that of liberal and enlightened citizen—

PARAGRAPH in an evening paper describes a novel outing enjoyed by the boys of Victoria street school last week. Principal Clarke took thirty of the senior boys over to the Island and down under the bay into the six-foot water-pipe, which was temporarily empty. What could be learned in an empty temporarily empty. What could be learned in an empty water-pipe may not have been very great, but the experience must have had a beneficial effect in giving the lads an idea of how the water supply of Toronto is obtained, how the conduit pipes are constructed, and probably Principal Clarke gave them some idea of the expense, the engineering difficulties and that sort of thing. What makes this incident—trivial as it may be in itself—of importance, is the rarity of teachers taking a pregnal intensi in their is the rarity of teachers taking a personal interest in their scholars, joining with them in little excursions, or really caring in the least as to what is done by their pupils in their hours of leisure and recreation for which they, the teachers, are not responsible.

Our schools are too much like factories, and the children who constitute the material are shoved in the door and passed on through the various departments from the kindergarten to the fifth form, probably without the average teacher's taking any more interest in the material going through his or her hands than is taken by the fac-tory employee who passes along to the next department the piece of material after he has done his share in shaping it. It might be difficult to obtain teachers willing visit the alodes of pupils who receive too little he at ention without, perhaps, paying them higher salaries and exercising much greater discretion in their selection; but if the child were continually in the hands of someone taking a personal interest in him or her, complaints of ill manners, disorderly conduct and the difficulty of exerill manners, disorderly conduct and the difficulty of exercising any sort of discipline would almost entirely cease. If the teachers were the comrades of the pupils in every sense, not merely joining in their games, teaching would become a pleasanter task and being a pupil would not be considered so much of a hardship, but rather a pleasure. We hear annually of the teachers taking excursions for their own pleasure and benefit, but we hear altogether too little of teachers vicities the heaves and inviting in little of teachers visiting the homes and joining in the everyday life of at least some of the parents and a few

Our whole educational system is being continually divested of the personal interest that the teacher used divested of the personal interest that the teacher used to take in the pupil. I am convinced that the amalgamation of the two medical schools in this city has entirely removed the students from the personal preceptorship of their teachers, even though we have an amazing number of professors who lecture so many times each term and take about as much interest in the young men as if they were a batch of saw-logs being floated down to a mill. The old-fashioned medical student who put in all the time The old-fashioned medical student who put in all the time he could in the office of a reputable practitioner got many ideas of kindliness and ethics which do not come in the way of the modern student of medicine; and when he went to college, the college may have been small and the went to college, the college may have been small and the equipment poor, but the professors entered into the life and tried to mould the future of their students. Perhaps this sort of thing is not practicable nowadays, but it must certainly be evident to everybody that university life in this city has scarcely a vestige of that personal influence exercised by strong and kindly men over those in their charge. It is the factory idea again, which is as far away from what is called culture in its true sense as it could possibly be. A splendid personality at the head of the University would in itself inspire the students to an effort Oniversity would in itself inspire the students to abtain some of the reflected graces of the president. If university life has little or no influence in moulding character, of what real good is it? The same aloofness and lack of charm is found, too, in the professors and instructors. It may be a good factory for the turning out of men with diplomas, but as an institution for higher

cu'ture it isn't "it." HE investigation of the insurance companies of New York is to be followed, so the decision of the I egislative Committee and its counsel declares, a most rigorous inquiry into the conduct of the State Superintendent of Insurance and his department. It was hinted when one of our Canadian insurance companies went to Michigan to obtain a bill of health and certificate of good conduct, that the insurance departments of Michigan and New York had been continually used to whitewash weak companies, some of which have already gone out of existence. The particular reason for the invertigation of State Superintendent of Insurance Payn is the charge that he "received \$40,000 from the Mutual Personne Life Association." Reserve Life Association in connection with a report by his examiners." This is the company which not long ago was the subject of a Senate investigation at Ottawa, in which Senator Kerr was almost suspiciously fervid and



BROBDINGNAGIAN BRITISH SUBJECTS-GIANT HILL-MEN FROM NORTHFRN INDIA EACH NEARLY EIGHT FEET HIGH.

the most exemplary faithfulness to public interests, and the crudeness and fanaticism of the French-Canadian in bringing all those interested in transportation together to discuss these matters, before the revision and consolidation is completed, he seems to be following a policy too seldom adopted in endeavoring to harmonize con-flicting interests and thoroughly protect the public, which seems so voiceless and unable to take its own part when corporations take the floor. It was Mr. Hendrie who brought Mr. Whitney into the Railway Committee last session to forbid, Cromwell-like, the giving of a perpetual franchise to a radial railway, and it seems evident that he is what Ontario has long needed, a courageous champi of public rights and square dealing in every respect.

ADAME SARAH BERNHARDT, interviewed by a bevy of French-Canadian newspaper men in Quebec, is reported to have talked like a step-with a switch. She expressed love for Canada but contempt for the progress made in the Province of Quebec, where she said nothing had progressed but agri culture, and that but slowly and only within the last few

years.
"It is for you, the journalists and the student youth to prepare the future," she said, "and to form the tastes and morals of the country. But the students! People com-instruct them and they are received with injury.

instruct them and they are received with injury. In Montreal a few days ago a lecturer came to discuss science and religion and was pursued through the streets by students—ah! but how do you understand progress? You have progressed in twenty-five years, but backwards."

One of her callers appears to have been injudicious enough to mention that some article which had appeared against her was probably written "to please the religious authorities." "Ah, yes. I understand," she exclaimed. authorities." "Ah, yes. I understand," she exclaimed, "you are here under the yoke of the clergy." "But the c'ergy have done much for French-Canadians," observed another. "I suppose," returned the comedienne with dispetant teachers are becoming scarce. It is a well-known

youth should set our French-Canadian neighbors think-ing whether or not a great injury to the name of which are so proud is not being done by the insulting and bing of Salvationists and preachers, while even an almost hysterical woman is not spared.

W E have become accustomed to watching the great W E have become accustomed to watching the great financiers of the land performing economic impossibilities, but it is a mistake for the ordinary citizen to make any attempts along this line. Like the boy who goes out to the back yard to emulate the looptive-loop artist, he is sure to get his bumps. The Board of Education of the town of Ingersoll lately resolved to make a record for liberality and economy at one and the sume time. They decided to raise the salaries of the Public school staff without increasing their demands upon the town Council. If they had engaged a skilful "promoter" to put both the board and the municipality on the basis of joint stock companies with properly watered stock basis of joint stock companies with properly watered stock they might have performed this apparent impossibility, and in addition voted increased salaries to every official and servant of the corporation. As this could not be undertaken, the Board hit upon the brilliant idea of taking \$200 from the principal's salary and dividing it amon assistant teachers. Thus everybody, they thought, be made happy, except perhaps the principal; and what right had he to kick, for he was still getting the principal had he to kick, for he was still getting the principal had he to kick, however, in which he has been joined by his friends and several newspapers, so that the School Board find themselves m x d up in a very considerable row.

This "equalization" resolution is a fine specimen of the

active as its champion. At that time I published some facts with regard to its method of doing business, and many serious allegations were made before the investigating committee, though without avail. While policies in the strong companies should not be abandoned in a panic, I had in the Mutual Reserve what was originally an \$8,500 policy, upon which a lien for \$1,300 had been placed in order to change it from an assessment to a flat-rate policy. This brought it down to about \$7,200. I found that all those who had been insured in the Northwestern Masonic of Chicago, the original issuers of the policy, together with those whose policies had been transferred m other assessment companies, had been placed in a ss by themselves and forced to mutually bear the burden of the death claims of that section, that no new blood was being brought into that section, the death rate was so high that the premiums were not sufficient to pay the claims, and that further "loads" were being put upon the policies to make up the deficit. Correspondence with the company was difficult because of the evasiveness of the replies and what seemed to me a tendency to mislead. Final v I obtained the facts, and though I am not in a position to obtain any new insurance I let the policy upon which I had been paying for nearly twenty years drop, it having already shrunk until it was little over \$5,000 and growing rapidly less. Settlements made by this company of death claims in Canada were brought to my notice, and altogether it seems to me that in the light of what has been brought out by the investigation in New York the Mutual Reserve Life Association and its affairs ought to be taken up anew by our Government and its license to do business in this country cancelled. There was an accusation that money was used at Ottawa; in the New York investigation the item already mentioned of \$40,000 indicates that this company is charged with spending that amount in order to influence the New York State Superintendent of Insurance, and it was shown that a large amount of money, three or four hundred thousand dollars, left by a retiring president as his share of ac-cruing profits, to the company, on condition that it would elect the present occupant of the position to the presidency, was turned into what was called a "yellow dog fund"—a fund ostensibly to meet expenses of a dubious sort. It would be interesting for an Ottawa committee with these facts before them to make renewed efforts to find out if any of this "yellow dog fund" came to Canada.

Despatches from New York since the above paragraph was in type give further details of the investigation into the affairs of the Mutual Reserve. Horace H. Brockway, an hotelkeeper, testified that Mr. Burnham, president of an noteikeeper, testined that Mr. Burmam, president of the company, told him to take out a \$6,000 policy and he would make him a director. He did so and was put on the pay roll at \$300 a week. It was afterwards reduced to \$200 per. He couldn't exactly say what he did for the money, but after receiving it for some time he "gave" President Burnham \$6,000, which it is said was made a part of the \$40,000 paid to influence the State Insurance Department. This is in accordance with evidence given This is in accordance with evidence given by J. D. Wells, a former vice-president of the Mutual Reserve, before the Canadian Senate's Investigating Committee in 1904. Vice-President Eldridge admitted in his evidence that Mr. Brockway had been put on the pay roll at the order of the executive officers and that the company paid J. T. Patterson, a former employee, \$5,000 in 1901, to quiet a libel suit they had brought against him, which was withdrawn on Patterson agreeing to discontinue the attacks he had been making in an insurance paper. Mr. Eldridge also testified that the company had spent money, evidently to influence a former Superintendent of Insurance in California, and made other admissipations. sions as to the company being "held up" by threats of exposure. A company must be in a bad shape if it is in such dread of exposure.

A case similar to the one in which I was personally interested was reported to the Investigating Committee from Missouri. The lien was about the same in both instances, and on being squeezed, the holder of the policy, a Mr. David Hall, reported the matter to Governor Folk of his State. Mr. Eldridge testified that the \$1,329 lien on Hall's policy would be wiped out in sixteen years, the light of the state on Hairs poincy would be wiped out in sixteen years, "while a similar lien on a Canadian policy would be wiped off in twenty-nine years." If Hall were classified the same as I was his policy, instead of the lien, would be wiped out in less than sixteen years, for my policy would have been wiped out in very few years instead of being

have been wiped out in very few years instead of being clear of the lien in twenty-nine years.

It has been announced that the officers of the Canada Life and the North American Life have been summoned to New York to give evidence before the Armstrong Committee as to the conduct of their companies' business. As these two companies are doing business in New York State they will, of course, appear or be forced to lose their license. This is likely to be but the beginning of the investigating processes which our Canadian insurance companies will have to submit to, and the authorities at pan'es will have to submit to, and the authorities at Ottawa should move promptly in the direction of appointing an able and strictly impartial commission to look into their affairs from a Canadian point of view. The Canadian life insurance business has been very seriously miured by these disturbing reports from New York, where officials of some of the greatest life insurance companies in the world have been proved guilty of most disgraceful manipulation of the funds and offices, influence and investments, to their own advantage and to the enrichment of their relatives and friends. These reports have made not only those Canadians who have life insurance policies, but those who are being asked to take them, exceedingly suspicious of the whole business and of everybody in it. This can only be quieted by a thorough and swift investi gution. No one or two or three, or even half a dozen, companies, should be consulted as to the lines the inves igation should take, but the managers of every insurance company in Canada should be called before a Parliamentary committee to present the companies' phase of the question; and while they should be permitted to have no hand in selecting those who are to investigate them, they should at least be permitted to say how the whole business could be best accomplished so as to be thorough

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in effect and convincing to the public and with the least damage to their business as insurers actively engaged in obtaining new policies. It would perhaps be to the advantage of some of the older companies to have the inwould be rank injustice to the newer companies when a policy would be rank injustice to the newer companies when a single day's search would be enough to show up their entire business and everything connected with it, and they should be eager to do so that they may be exonerated and

In the meantime the less ex parte literature the insurance companies have inserted in the press charging the present law with bringing about such troubles as exist, the better it will be for all except the newspapers which get so much per line for its insertion. After the astounding revelations of the New York investigation it seems passing strange that Canada has been so slow in putting insurance affairs into the crucible of an investigation. In fact, it would almost seem as if some powerful influence or influences were working to either burke an investigation entirely or manipulate it to save some of those hose business will have to be inquired into.

THE statement that the Toronto Street Railway Company is cheated out of \$100,000 annually by those who ride but fail to pay fares, means that about dishonest passengers use the cars daily. The Toronto Railway Company has been so persistently dishonest in refusing to live up to its contract that people may think themselves justified in stealing from a corporation which, by failing to do what it covenanted to do, is practically ourloining money from the public. Such a code of honor is disgraceful to the thousands of people who are said to have adopted it. Dishonesty, however, is becoming so prevalent that it is beginning to be regarded as a legitimate branch of business, a feature necessary to be suc-cessful in commercial life and absolutely requisite, though wrote them. His offence is not an indictable one, though in the estimation of right-thinking people lying is equally reprehensible with false swearing when used for the same purpose. Can it be that in the beginning of this same purpose. Can it be that in the beginning of this century people are becoming careless as to whether they have the reputation of being liars and cheats? Certainly it looks like it.

THE newspapers of the United States are still earnestly discussing the recent New York election. Viewed as a notice to quit served upon Tammany, the result is amazing, but of even greater significance is the people's acceptance of W. R. Hearst as their champion against the bosses and the trusts, because of the far-reaching results by which this acceptance must inevitably be followed. The great popular endorsement which he received gives him at once a standing as a powerful national force, for he must now be recognized—however distasteful the recognition may be to many newspapers as the coming man of the Democratic party. Up to the ent time Hearst has been ignored by a large se of the press of the United States. A continuance of this attitude now would be mere affectation. Contemptuous silence can no longer be observed with respect to a man

facts concerning his short but remarkable newspaper career. A son of a wealthy California mine-owner, he purchased, when a mere youth, the San Francisco Exam-iner, and made of it a great success. Ambition then led him to the greater newspaper field of New York. Here road. She received in a delicately tinted heliotrope gown he was first received by the other papers with derisive laughter, and later with significant silence. Hearst said nothing for quite a while, but he was very busy all the tendence time making the Journal hum and his contemporaries hump. Meanwhile the silence of the other papers grew oppressive. Finally, when Hearst acquired daily newspars of the tendence of the other papers grew oppressive. Finally, when Hearst acquired daily newspars of the tendence of the other papers grew oppressive. Finally, when Hearst acquired daily newspars of the tendence of the other papers grew oppressive. Finally, when Hearst acquired daily newspars of the tendence of the other papers grew oppressive. papers in several other great cities and began to talk politics, sinister innuendoes began to be sedulously circupapers in several other great cities and began to talk politics, sinister innuendoes began to be sedulously circulated. The people were warned mysteriously and by dark suggestion to beware of "the unspeakable Hearst." Last year, when he sought the Democratic nomination for the Presidency, he was denounced as a demagogue, doubly dengerous because of his wealth, and the conservative element prevailed in nominating Parker. As a result of the hopeless defeat of the "safe and sane" nominee the party now stands ready to swing over and put forward an extremist; and Hearst by the endorsation of New York becomes the man to whom they will naturally turn.

Some papers allege that Hearst, though he is fighting to unseat McClellan, does not really want to be elected Mayor of New York, fearing that four years in office would disclose the falsity of his claims as an anti-trust champion and thereby wreck his chances of becoming his party's next nominee for the Presidency. That finely written journal, the San Francisco Argonaut, however, gets to the point when it urges a change of tone on the party of the press toward Hearst; "not its opinions, simply its tone." The Hearst newspapers are not admirable in

consider the differences between these two editor-politicians. The only point worth noting is the impersonal fact that both in the United States and in Canada the people are growing restive under the yoke of the grafters and corruptionists. In both countries the leaders of the grafters and the political parties are largely the creatures of expediency and the political newspapers are the abject exponents thereof. In Dominion and Republic alike the masses are ready to welcome any one who bases his claim for leader ship on the radical platform of the people's rights. A man may harbor selfish ambitions in an earthen heart, but if he may harbor selfish ambitions in an earthen heart, but if he may harbor selfsh ambitions in an earthen heart, but if he advocates fair and reasonable measures, why not discuss them on their merits instead of dodging the issues by aspersing the motives and character of the man himself? What is gained by merely crying, "Wolf, wolf," at Billy Maclean? And which among the supine politicians or political newspapers of this country is licensed to throw a stone at him or at anyone else? a stone at him or at anyone else?

THE Hamilton Herald tells of an experience which a commercial traveller from the United States recently had in the Ambitious City with a post-office money order. He arrived in Hamilton on a recent Sat-urday with only a small amount of silver in his pocket, but during the day he received from his firm an interna-tional postal order for thirty dollars. At the post-office he was told that it was not customary to keep such a large amount on hand, and that the only thing they could do was to stamp the order payable at the Bank of Montreal. The banks were all closed, except one which opens in the evenings for the sole purpose of receiving deposits. The

hotel at which the traveller stayed refused to cash the order, and if he had not by chance had a friend in the city his position would have been awkward indeed. Complaints regarding delay in the matter of cashing post-office orders are becoming very common. Nearly every fair-sized village in the country now has a branch of a chartered bank, and the post-offices find it more convenient and safe to deposit their money and stamp orders as payable through a bank. The result is that every day people are caused annoyance in the same manner, if not in the same degree, as the travelling man was at Hamilton. It should be possible to have a post-office money order promptly cashed at any branch of the service, or the orders should be made negotiable. The only other alternative is to drop this branch of the service and leave it to the banks, which now issue, at the same cost, orders negotiable at any bank, and the express companies. The Canadian postal service is better than it ever was, but until late years it was very, very poor. A great many improvements are yet urgently needed, especially in the rural districts. Some one rises to remark that the Post

SERIES of lectures by Mr. W. J. Colville on topics connected with what he calls the "Gospel of Hap piness" is in progress and will be concluded at St. George's Hall next Sunday. While the commit-St. George's Hall next Sunday. While the committee that brought this celebrated lecturer to this city express themselves as having succeeded beyond their expectations both financially and in attracting audiences, yet it is much to be regretted that only hundreds instead of thousands took advantage of the opportunity to hear much that was explanatory of what we are and may become. His lectures are thoroughly educational, and though not perhaps orthodox in the strictest sense of the word can not but do great good to the hearer. Gifted with marvellous memory, wonderful power of expression, cessful in commercial life and absolutely requisite, though perhaps in a different sense, in order to shine as a politician or to pass current as a respectable, consistent and orthodox religionist. Judge Winchester, speaking from the bench, has been forced to denounce periury; and listing the bench, has been forced to denounce periury; and listing to cutte, in the trial of the case against the Plumbers' Combine, has not been slow to manifest his incredulity various themes into contact with everyone's experience while listening to certain witnesses. One of the witnesses in the same trial, when confronted with a letter which he admitted having written, said that every statement in it was false, and he knew the statements were lies when he was false, and he knew the statements were lies when he was not under the direction of any church or popular wrote them. His offence is not an indictable one, though instead of Massey Hall was engaged, it certainly does not speak very highly of the broad-mindedness of Torontonians, for in all parts of the world this unusual and exceedingly attractive lecturer has filled the largest auditoriums in the cities he has visited. Personally Mr. Colvi'le is a rather diminutive man with a big top head and quite unattractive off the platform, but few speakers have ever visited this city who have shown anything like the mostery of the great variety of subjects with which he deals. If he ever returns he will doubtless be received multitudinously."

Social and Personal.

Miss "Trixie" Phillips gave a luncheon on Monday to a number of the young girls making their debut this season, at her home in Queen's Park, at which the guests enjoyed everything with the zest of the first season.

Mrs. Conrad Meron of Philadelphia, who is at the King Edward, will receive next Tuesday with her sister. Mrs. Howard Irish, at the home of the latter in Chestnut si'ence can no longer be observed with respect to a man who even on fraudulent returns completely distanced the Republican candidate in New York and very nearly put Tammany out of business. Heart's personality must now visitor was very much admired. On Tuesday she wore a best rough and eleasly defined and his claims discussed on Republican candidate in New York and very nearly put Edward and at New York and very nearly put Edward and at New York and very nearly put Edward and at New York and State of Tammany out of business. Hearst's personality must now visitor was very much admired. On Tuesday she wore a lovely French gown of blue and silver, and looked very little changed from the Lillian Smart of some years ago. Wr. and Mrs. Meron are, I hear, contemplating a

with 'ace bertha applique, and was assisted by her three daughters and one of the Misses Haney in the tea-room

Mrs. Bond was hostess of a large tea at her residence.

part of the press toward Hearst; "not its opinions, simply its tone." The Hearst newspapers are not admirable in tone, yet they are very widely read. Hearst himself, whatever he may be or has been, is being seized upon as the only man in sight whom the people, weary of the increasing burden of commercial feudalism, could put forward as a leader.

In Canada we have at the present time a somewhat parallel political situation. A comparison between W. R. Hearst and W. F. Maclean may seem to be a far-fetched one. It is, however, neither necessary nor important to consider the differences between these two editor-politicians. The only point worth noting is the impersonal fact

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The house dance at Spadina on Tuesday revived the traditions of older days when we had neither swell restaurant nor hotel available for entertaining, and when to The house dance at Spadina on Tuesday revived the shamrock wreath, box of 1 dozen-special price \$2; Hemstitched any width hem, 90c. to \$6 dozen; Hemstitched embroidered and lace edge sheer linen centers, 12 1-2c., 15c, 20c., 25c., 20c., 25c., 20c., 25c., 25c and flowers and the eleventh hour saw quartette tables set and served from some mysterious quarters, as if by magic, with a delicious supper. It would be obviously impossible to give a list of the many guests, who included a 1ew young married couples, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Helliwell, Mr. and Mrs. Will Fleury, Colonel and Mrs. McLean, being of the number, and with Mrs. Cawthra and Mrs. Greene, cousins of the debutante, and one or two others including Mrs. G. Allen Arthurs of Ravenswood, forming an admiring coterie as the young men and girls others including Mrs. G. Allen Arthurs of Ravenswood, forming an admiring coterie as the young men and girls passed by. Mrs. Austin's two younger daughters and winsome Betty Greene, whom I noticed dancing gravely with a jolly man, were allowed to sit up for Miss Adele's party. Among the guests were the Misses Foy in very lovely pale blue frocks, one touched with silver being particularly pretty; Miss Dorothy Cross, who is continually being dubbed a debutante and looks the part, although she came out last season, was very sweet in a white gown; Miss Helen Daviuson wore a blue frock with baby waist and delicate applique en berthe; Miss Somerville of Atherley wore paie pink with bands of pale blue trimmings; Miss Adams of Rosedale wore white and pink touched with black, and Miss Hoodless of Hamilton white d'esprit over red. A very handsome and gracious white d'esprit over red. A very handsome and gracious young girl was Miss Edith Holland, who had one of the young girl was Miss Edith Holiand, who had one of the few bouquets, a sheaf of white and pink roses, and the same flowers gracefully arranged in her hair. Another pretty girl had a beautiful corsage bouquet of violets, tied with tasseled cords, and several others wore lily of the valley. Miss Heaven was becomingly gowned in yellow, and Miss Melvin-Jones came in rather late in a stunning gown of palletted lace, the deep black showing her exquisitely white neck and arms to perfection. The Misses Errol and Cecile Nordheimer came to honor their fair neighbor, as did also Miss Katherine Mackenzie, about whom the nicest things are being said; Miss George was neighbor, as did also Miss Katherine Mackenzie, about whom the nicest things are being said; Miss George was very handsome in a white gown, and Miss Heron was also one of the most popular of girls. The Misses Sweatman, Miss Pattie Armour, Miss Millicent Henderson, Miss Lawlor, Miss Kathleen Gordon, Miss Madge Davidson, Miss Hilda Reid, who came with her brother, Miss Marjorie Machray, the Misses Hagarty, Miss Josephine Brouse, who wore a smart black gown lightly touched with color, and Miss Daisy Boulton, also in black, were so.ne of the girls present. Miss Elise Clark brought her coustn, Miss Madge Parke, and both enjoyed the dance very much. A few of the men were Mr. St. George Baldwin, Mr. Selby Martin, Mr. Stewart Greer, three of the divinely tall ones; Mr. Alexander of Bon Accord, Mr. Baldwin, Mr. Selby Martin, Mr. Stewart Greer, three of the divinely tall ones; Mr. Alexander of Bon Accord, Mr. Long and Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. des Chadenedes, Mr. Proctor, Dr. Parsons, Messrs. Taylor, Mr. Bissett, Mr. Edward Houston, Mr. Somerville, Mr. Cambie, Mr. Cosbie, Mr. Sulivan, Captain Ridout, Mr. Kingsford, Mr. Frank Matthews, Mr. Heron, Mr. Pepler, Mr. Harry Martin, Dr. George Ryerson, Messrs. Wright, Mr. Regin-

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a.d Pellatt.

Mrs. Schoenberger is one of the few hostesses re-ceiving during this month, as she is leaving after New Year for a long sojourn abroad, where she will place her daughters at school. On Tuesday she had many callers.

assisted by her two bridesmaids, Miss Wright and Miss King, in their primrose frocks. Mrs. Arthur Kirkpatrick assisted in the tea-room, where a table centered with exduisite pink roses was daintily set with many of the wed-ding gifts and the wedding cake was, as usual, the unre-fusable offering. Mrs. Thistle receives again next Tues-

Mrs. G. Percival Scholfield entertained a number of friends at luncheon yesterday at her home, 75 Lowther

Mrs. R. S. Wilson gave a very pleasant tea at her resi deace in Bloor street west, one of the smartest-looking houses in that neighborhood. The hostess received in a pale blue gown, with rich white lace, and Miss Annie Michie, who has accompanied her sister, Mrs. Stewart, to the North-West, was with Mrs. Wilson in the drawingroom, looking very pretty in a white gown, and bidding au revoir to her friends until next autumn, as she will visit in Winnipeg and on the coast for nearly a year. In wisit in Winnipeg and on the coast for nearly a year. In the tea-room a party of girls dispensed the usual good things, the group including Miss Michie, Miss Etta Taylor, Miss Rita Cosby, Miss Etta Smith, Miss Libbie Dixon, who were busy about a table centered with a splendid mound of Bridesmaid roses set on a beautiful lace circle, embroidered so naturally in pink roses that it seemed only as if some of the beauties nodding above it had dropped down. Airy vases of lily of the valley were set about the table, and in the other rooms white and copper-tinted 'mums bloomed gloriously. Among the guests was Miss Maud Burnham, who had just arrived that afternoon from Port Hope on a visit to Mrs. De Leigh Wilson of Olitrim, who gave a reception on Thursday afternoon at her home. Some others of the gay party were various brides and debutantes of the past autumn, who are so universally admired, with their mothers, sisters and complimenting friends.

Mrs. and Miss Minnie Parsons gave a delightful tea for Mrs. Lynch-Staunton (nee Dewar of Hamilton), on for Mrs. Lynch-Staunton (nee Dewar of Hamilton), on Monday afternoon, at which the Misses Yarker poured tea at a dainty table decorated with pink and white 'mums. The guest of honor, who is greatly admired in Toronto, was charmingly gowned and the party enjoyed the gathering in such a pleasant home, and lingered to the limit of time in congenial converse. A few of them were Mrs. Machray, Mrs. Timmerman, Mrs. Campbell Reaves, Mrs. Le Mesurier, Mrs. Hal Osler, Mrs. Hollwey, Mrs. Biggar, Mrs. B. B. Cronyn, Miss Hodgins and Miss Lily Dewar, Miss Andrene Todd, Miss Dora Rowand, Miss Josephine Brouse, Miss Katherine Merritt and others.

On Saturday night Sheriff Widdifield gave a dinner at Glenbyrne, in honor of Sir William Mulock, to meet whom were bidden Chief Justice Moss, Sir William Meredith, the Attorney-General, the Speaker, Mr. Justice Britton, Mr. Justice Garrow, Mr. Justice Clute, Mr. Justice Anglin, Mr. Justice Maclaren, Mr. Justice Magee, Mr. Justice Mabee, Mr. C. H. Ritchie and Mr. W. C. Widdifield of Newmarket.

On Monday evening Llawhaden will revive its tradi-On Monday evening Llawhaden will revive its traditions of success in the way of evening and afternoon inusicals, for on that night will be given a rich programme of melody and harmony. Miss Melvin-Jones, Regent of Strathcona Chapter, Daughters of the Empire, has only had to ask and have in the way of talented artists and a real treat is provided, which will begin at half-past eight and at which a large and patriotic party of music-lovers are already engaged to present themselves. The proceeds of the sale of tickets are to go to the chapter for the flag fund, and everyone is greatly interested in the occasion, which is assured of a large patronage very well deserved on its own merits; apart from patriotic considerations. Madame Albertini, Mr. Harry Field and Mr. Pigott are the artists assisting.

Mrs. Lockie Hamilton of St. Joseph street is enjoying Mrs. Lockie Hamilton of St. Joseph street is enjoying a visit from her sister, Mrs. Hay of Portsmouth, who came out last month to spend the winter, and on Monday a few friends were informally invited to meet the visitor at tea time. The husband and brother of the hostess and several men friends balanced the little coterie of women who so much enjoyed an hour with their clever hostess and her charming guest. Mrs. Hamilton always considers the artistic and the comfortable side of the much maligned afternoon tea, and her guests find themselves very happy under such conditions as are sure to rule. under such conditions as are sure to rule.

Mrs. Rathbun (nee Blaikie) asked some of her girl friends and two or three young matrons to tea last Monday to meet the Misses Parke, in whose honor so many things are being done. The radiant guests of honor, enjoying the sparkling winter day, came in full of the busy social life into which they have perforce so thoroughly entered, every one who has enjoyed the generous hospitalities of Government House being anxious to give His Honor's nieces the best of good times, and finding their reward in the frank pleasure of these delightful girls, who are the sunshine of every coterie they visit. Mrs. Rathbun (nee Blaikie) asked some of her girl

On Sunday afternoon a small and intimate party celebrated the christening of Master Hugh Rowand Calderwood, the infant son and heir of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Calderwood, at the family residence, 18 Madison avenue. Baby Hugh was the lion of the hour, and forbore to roar, in fact was the best-natured of babies. His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor proposed the health of the little man in a speech revealing the length of his friendship for the mother and her parents, and everyone heartily echoed his well-expressed good wishes apropos of the occasion. Miss Mortimer Clark accompanied His Honor, and the few others present were old and intimate friends of Mrs. Calderwood, whose welfare is dear to each one.

On Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs. G. R. R. Cockburn entertained at dinner in that perfect way which has made them famous in a long residence in Toronto. His Honor and Mrs. Mortimer Clark were the principal guests, and the party included the Bishop of Toronto and Mrs. Sweathers of Ontario and Mrs. Whitney, Sir. daughters at school. On Tuesday she had many callers.

Mrs. Auguste Bolte gave a bridge on Wednesday, at which a number of excellent players enjoyed the game. The hostess herself is one of our keenest bridge players, and the furore of last season over this fascinating game is showing no signs of decline.

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Mrs. Oliver Adams of Glen road, Rosedale, gave a large tea on Wednesday afternoon, when her fine home was filled with a very smart company.

Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Hunter entertained Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Hunter entertained Mr. and Mrs. Ack Reid and one or two other friends at dinner last evening at their pretty home in Walmer road.

Mrs. Thistle held her post-nuptlat receptions this week on Tuesday and Wednesday and a great number of friends and was first, Mrs. Carell Gibson, Mrs. Horsey, Miss Maule, Mrs. Scadding, Mrs. W. R. Riddell, Miss Falconbridge, Mrs. Scadding, Mrs. Were Brown, Mrs. Bristol, Mrs. Soft white satin, pleated and sewn with pearls, and was soft white satin, pleated and sewn with pearls, and was soft white satin, pleated and sewn with pearls, and was soft white satin, pleated and sewn with pearls, and was soft white satin, pleated and sewn with pearls, and was soft white satin, pleated and sewn with pear

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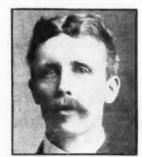
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Social and Personal.

Those who have always loved Benvenuto were charmed to inspect its extended borders on Friday, when the charming home was en fête for a tea for Miss Katherine's dêbut, and Mrs. Mackenzie and the dêbutante welcomed a very large company. The addition comprises two large and artistic salons, with suggestions of merry-making in the future as one lôoks at their polished floor, great fireplaces and pretty lights. They do not touch the charm of the older portion of the residence, which connects with them by the grand stairway and also through the enlarged conservatory. All was thrown open on Friday, and though the main crush was as usual kept to the by no means small tea-room, there were many who spent a bon quart dheure in the quiet and elegant new salons. Among the guests specially welcome were Mrs. Dobell, who came with Lady Kirkpatrick, and Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Temple, just home from South Africa. Mrs. Temple is a quiet and gracious young English lady, who was greeted by her husband's old friends with interest. There were music and lovely flowers and the usual plenteous supply of goodies in the tea-room, and everyone was very hearty in good wishes for the sweet young girl in whose honor the affair was arranged. Later on she will have her home dance, and in the meantime she is being petted and complimented to the heart's content.

Every afternoon this week there Every afternoon this week there have been bridge parties, sometimes two or three on one day. And many small dinners have been given also in honor of one or other of the visitors in town. Mr. and Mrs. Magann entertained for Miss Fielding of Ottawa on Tuesday, and I don't think that charming girl has had many opportunities to put her little feet under her hosts' mahogany during her visit, for she and they are in demand everywhere.

The Young Bachelors' dance in St. George's Hall was a bright event of last evening. The boys are very popular, and the mothers, who acted as patronesses, are among our handsomest chaperones.

Want of space prevents the insertion of the numberless notices sent to these columns of "days" and discontinuance of receptions during this month. Most of our visiting and receiving hostesses are too busy during December to pay or receive calls, and any wishing notice of their "days" in the issue of December 30th will be considered in a paragraph especially arranged as aforetime for their benefit.

Mrs. Machray has asked some of her daughter, Miss Marjorie's, friends to an informal dance next Thursday

Varsity "Gym" was a gay and festive sight on Wednesday evening, when the Athletic Association held their annual dance. I hear that the young beauties were never so beautiful nor so numerous at this popular dance, and regret greatly that I was unable, through temporary indisposition, to enjoy it as usual. The patronesses were Mrs. W. Mortimer Clark, Mrs. Loudon, Mrs. R. Ramsay Wright, Mrs. Reeve, Mrs. Galbraith, Lady Meredith, Mrs. Moss, Mrs. Baker, Mrs. McGurdy, Mrs. Whitney, Mrs. D. B. Macdonald, Mrs. E. R. Hooper and Miss Salter.

What promises to be an enjoyable event is the bazaar to be held in St. George's Hall, Wednesday afternoon and evening, December 13th.



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The tea given by Mrs. Hugh White of Brunswick avenue last Saturday afternoon was a most delightful affair. Mrs. White received at the entrance to the drawing-room, wearing a gown of lace over pink taffeta, with trimmings of panne and chiffon and pearl ornaments and was aswith trimmings of panne and chinon and pearl ornaments, and was assisted by Mrs. Fleming and Mrs. Page. Tea was served in the dining-room by Mrs. Lyon, Miss Kennedy, Miss Allison, Miss Porter, Miss Bousch and Miss Anglin. The tea table was prettily decorated with yellow. Chrysanthenums, and maidenlow Chrysanthemums and maiden-hair in silver holders, with yellow shaded candles. The flowers in the drawing-room were beautiful pink roses carnations, palms and ferns.

Mrs. Bertie Cassels will hold her post-nuptial receptions at her home, 80 Elm avenue, next Monday and Tuesday afternoons, December 11th and 12th.

The Junior Bachelors' Club, consisting of a number of young men of South Parkdale, which was organized on Tuesday evening last, have prepared an excellent series of social events, which will take place on the first and third Friday evenings of the month, commencing with the New Year.

Mrs. Nordheimer entertained at luncheon on Tuesday in honor of Mrs. Dobell. Mrs. Mann gave a luncheon down town on Monday for Mrs. Galt of Winnipeg. Mrs. Cronyn gave a tea on Thursday for Miss betts of London, her guest. Dr. and Mrs. Fotheringham have removed to a Walselay street have 20 Wellesley street

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BY SID HOWARD.

HE boys had hunted both sides of the Little Buckhorn the first two days we were in. Then we moved to Dick Piper's old lumber camp on the Other Slide, where the Broadfords got the pick of their logs three winters ago. It was a big, tight camp, with a good stove in the cook's shanty and a camboose in the sleeping camp, where we lit a hot fire of dry pine and birch logs every night, and let her blaze away and shoot sparks up through the chimney-hole in the roof till you couldn't see the real stars for sham ones and smoke. It was a well-built camp of big spruce logs, clean and in pretty good shape, though the Broadfords hadn't used her for two years—and we had it all to ourselves. I was hired to cook and do chores in the day time and lay around in the sleepin' camp and swap lies at night. Old Ned Meenzies was for two years—and we had it all to ourselves. I was hired to cook and do chores in the day time and lay around in the sleepin' camp and swap lies at night. Old Ned Meenzies was head guide, and he had his own pack along. They were good enough dogs, too, though I won't say they were what you call thoroughherd fox hounds. They were mixed collies, most of them, but one of them was a deer dog clean through, and a dandy. An old bitch she was, with a nose like a needle and a throat like a belifry. Say, it was good to hear her on a runway of a frosty morning! She was a pure-bred hound through and through, and what she didn't know about running deer or any other kind of hunting none of us could tell her. Old Ned thought a pile more of her than he did of his wife, and so did her to, and he wouldn't have sold her for fifty dollars. Next to Ned she liked me best, and she never had much to say to anybody but us two. I used to give her bits of tenderloin steak cut right off the camp deer meat just to show what I thought of her, and I'd just as lief cooked it for her, and a darn sight liefer, than I would for the sports, if she hadn't have liked it better raw. She had those soft, wetlike eves same as you remember your mother's, maybe, brown and big and tender, and she knew, that's what she did. She couldn't speak, but she knew, and you could see she knew. Not a bit of dirt in her whole nature, and as strong on her legs as a wolf. Nelly, the old man called her, and she was just as kind as a woman and a heap sight more use on a runway.

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There were five sports in the party, two of them from New York and three of them from Toronto, down on the front. Most of them had been in the woods before, and one of the men from New York used to hunt quite a bit in Maine, according to accounts—his accounts mostly. Wall paper manufacturer he was, and the other they used to call Pickles, because he was in the vinegar business. Great boys they were for Canadian whiskey—my, but what a lot they could stand of it. Good shots they all were, too, except Pickles. He didn't know the difference between a 45-90 and a sum in arithmetic.

They started off one morning with Old Ned and the dogs about seven o'clock. They were going to follow the old logging road for a mile and then Old Ned was to take the hounds and branch off up on the ridge and work the old Broadford Company's Slashings, while the boys went on down to the lake, where we had a couple of Peterboros, and set themselves on the runway, where they landed at the lake. They had been playing poker the night before for the drinks, and they kept it up pretty late, but they all seemed jolly

enough when they started out in the morning, and I never thought nothing about it until afterwards.

Well, it seems they put this Pickles on the middle lead because they wanted him to get his first taste of blood, and thought the chances were best where he could watch for a deer taking to water both ways. Along about ten o'clock I went down to the creek for a pail of water. It was one of those still, grey mornings in the fall, cold and nice. Suddenly I hears a hound howl away back in the woods on the mountain. It was Nell's voice—I'd know it five miles away, any kind of weather, but this day you could hear that old dog just as clear as if she was over there in the beaver meadow.

"Drive 'em, old girl," I says.
"Drive 'em, You score again today."

And I went up and put on a voi

Ned never said a word, and I could see by his face something was wrong. It was a whisker face, but where it was clear of whisker it was just as white as a pine shaving.

Something come over me all of a second.

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"Where's Nelly?" says I, quick, for the dog always followed him to heel. The old man never said nothing, but, so help me, if two tears didn't squeeze out of his hard old eyes and roll right out on his cheek.

"Where's Nelly," says I again, and I turned kind of cold myself and thin like, I guess, in the face. "What's happened her?"

"Nelly's shot, poor bitch," said the old man, and he went and laid down in my bunk and turned his face in against the logs. He was kind of choking and making a funny little noise with his throat.

And mind you, over in the sleeping camp I could hear them sports laughing. Yes, sir, they were joshing Pickles about something, and playing cards again for drinks.

"Darn you!" I says, "that dog was worth the whole of ye!"

The Real Mayor of New York.

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in so early," I says.

But when I went to the door there's the rest of the dogs, so I put the kettle on and started in to slice some meat. Sure enough, in about half an hour I heard them coming through the woods, all talking at once. I stayed in the shanty hurrying up supper. Pretty soon I hear them all go stamping in.

"Well," says I to Old Ned when he comes up to the cook camp door.

"You're home mighty early. What's the matter?" the leader of Tammany is now reNed never said a word, and I could see by his face something was wrong. It was a whisker face, but where it most expert sleuth-hounds of antimost expert sleuth-hounds of anti-Tammany organizations have not yet been able to say exactly how he made his money. Charles F. Murphy be-came "boss" in 1902, and he will probably stick in his supreme posi-tion until Tammany has one or more reverses. He rules his cohorts by fear, and he seems quite content to work behind the scenes at City Hall. He has more authority than any other man to-day in New York City, and the men under his control can spend each year a hundred millions of the public money. What a place to hold at the age of forty-seven!

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He was a big, black, good-hearted, He was a big, black, good-hearted, old negro, stranded near Boston, and he had decided, after considerable "cogitation," to work his way back to the South, where he would feel more at home. In Boston, in Springfield, in Hartford, in New Haven, it was always the same. When he rang a bell and asked for work and a bite to eat the answer usually was, "I'm very sorry, but there's not a thing to eat the answer or work and a bite to eat the answer usually was, "I'm very sorry, but there's not a thing to be done here to-day." There were occasional exceptions, of course, or uncle could never have got on, but the thing most to be counted upon was pleasing politeness coupled with nothing else.

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At last the old man left New York and then Philadelphia behind, and one day found himself in Baltimore. His knowledge of geography was nil, but he thought he ought soon to be getting into "de Souf," and with that hope at heart rang the bell to a fine house in Charles street. The door was opened by the host himself, who, after an instant's survey of the figure before him, blurted out:

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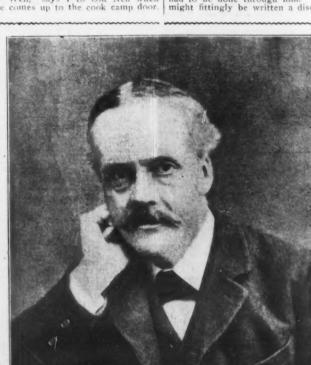
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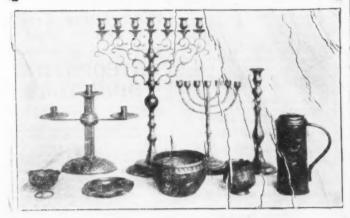
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MONG the many useful per-sonages who have disap-peared from social functions is the Master of Ceremonies, Beaux" of the Georgian age the most important figure in the ball-room, and the most powerful, not even excepting His Majesty or his royal heir. It was not an office to be lightly assumed or spoken of, this important and busy position. The Master of the Ceremonies, at his best, required all the resources of an emperor, a diplomat and an encyclopaedia. His power was absolute, his discretion perfect and his judgment unassatable. Can you not imagine him, at the beginning of a great assembly, grave, courtly, thoughtful, observant, with a splendid bow for royalty, a lesser inclination for the peerage, a recognition, serious and stately, for the army, the navy and the professions, a gentle deference for the church, and a kindly and protecting greeting to the timid young folks? There must have been persons in those days, as always, to whom the bow of the Master of the Ceremonies suggested an effort costing some personal inconvenience and even suffering, or, perhaps, it may have been tinged with the cynical or the impertinent. At all events, if that august official were in good form his bow should in each case have told as plainly as a label who was who and which were "it." We need him back again in these pell-mell days, and I've heard him vainly wished for. Fancy how his uplifted finger would stop the music in the middle of a bar if he saw a stately quadrille breaking up into a romping two-step! Imagine how he would look at the couple behind the screen if, after their dance was over, they still lingered, and how soon an imble waiter would rearrange the furniture or open a window in that locality so as to necessitate the removal of the screen or give an otherwise commanding view of the cachés. There would be no fluttering débutante with her programme half-filled while strange youths held up door-posts. The men of the 47th would have to be a handsome and commanding personage, of infinite tact and courage, who would gradually convince the public of his worth and the comfort of his services. Then we should return to the pl

Another institution, practically unknown in this country, is the properly established and conducted matrimonial agency. This is, under certain rules, a helpful and legitimate enterprise. I personally know of several very happy and several other what are called "successful" marriages which have been arranged through the good offices of a regular matriwhich have been arranged through the good offices of a regular matri-monial agency. It is an open secret that many a man is to a certain ex-tent at the mercy of his older or more discerning women friends in his choice of a wife; indeed, it some-times happens that he confides to times happens that he confides to them his wishes, and they are less than women if they don't strain a point to help Cupid in his loving offices. This procedure is a shade less cold-blooded than the registering of one's name in an agency book, but it is at bottom on the same principle. And as women sometimes help a man to win the girl he fancies it is unfortunately true that some are sufficiently perverse or envious or illnatured to belittle, truly or falsely, that unfortunate she, and turn young

A BUSINESS FRIEND

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One of the bright business women of New York City who found that offce was wrecking her nervous sys-em, bringing on severe neuralgic ttacks and making her "extremely tritable," writes that she has found staunch friend in Postum Food offce:

a staunch friend in Postum Food coffee:

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love afield disillusionized and disgusted. In the agency business it seems to me such a happening would be unlikely; rather would the object be to marry young love off as speedily and safely as possible and close the transaction by the collection of a fee! This sort of thing does not affect the subsequent happiness of the parties any more than the hasty hit rand-miss method of many a modern courtship. Personally it may not appeal to you, but doubtless you wouldn't have the least compunction in recommending it to your acquaintances who find a difficulty in pleasantly mating their daughters or sons, or are feeling a bit left out of Hymen's track themselves! The mode of procedure need not seem vulgar or commercial after the manner of the making of many royal and other matches is taken into consideration; at all events it's not as bad as a plebiscite, which is the very latest royal vagary, and we should have very exalted examples, not far away just now, as precedent. just now, as precedent.

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"I am simply dying for want of sunshine," said a woman whose days were spent in a back room looking north. Those who heard laughed at her, and said: "Why don't you go out more?" She shook her head. "Just want to sit in the sunshine," she persisted. So someone comprehending her need looked up a southern aspect for her, and now one can see her sitting in the sunshine any bright morning, bending over her machine, contented and comfortable. Every house should have one room with unfadable furniture, carpet and paper where the fire children, longing for their life-giving element, the earth children, needing it scarcely less, might sit for hours in full flood of sunshine and glory in it. You think this foolishness. I can assure you that I am writing in a far less comfortable room this morning because it is brilliant with sunshine, and because I found it simply impossible to work in a snug, cosy north chamber. The plants preach sunshine and its blessings, and we, so often deaf to nature's sermons, hear nothing of the lessons of leaf and tree!

Lady Gay.

Lady Gay

The Farmer and Bicycle Agent. Some years ago, soon after bicycles began to be freely used throughout the United States, an agent for a New 10rk house turned up at a village in central New York. He expatiated to an old farmer upon the virtues of the new machine, dwelling upon what the new machine, dwelling upon what a time-saver it was, and withal how fashionable it would be for the old farmer to be able to ride down the village on one of the new-fangled machines whenever he wanted to.

"Why,, said the agent, "whenever you go down to the post-office, bank or store everybody will stop and stare at Farmer Wilson, and pretty soon you'll be the most-talked-of man in the whole county."

"That may be so," replied the farmer, "but I tell you I'm a-needin' a good cow mo'n I am one o' them things you're a-talkin' about."

Nevertheless, the agent extracted a

Nevertheless, the agent extracted a promise that the old man would save

up his money and purchase a bicycle when the agent came around in the

fall.

...ccording to promise, the agent was on hand in the fall with the wheel. The farmer took him in charge and carried him out to the lot and showed him a fine Jersey

ow. "That's what I bought with the money I saved up for you," said the farmer. And without waiting for the agent to recover from his surprise he went on, "I 'lowed that I needed the cow mo'n I did the bicycle, an' there she is. Ain't she a beaut?"

When the agent recovered his breath he said, "You'll look funny riding that cow to town, won't you?"
"Ya-as," drawled out the old farmer, "but I'd look a darned sight funnier tryin' to milk a bicycle!"

Little Mary sat on the floor beside her mother's chair, busily dressing her doll.

"Please give me a pin, mamma," she said, and her mother handed her a pin from the cushion, not heeding that it was bent.

"Oh! this is a wilted one, mamma," she exclaimed. "Can't you give me a fresh one?"

The teacher had been instructing the class about the three kingdoms of the universe, and to make it plain she said, "Everything in our school-room belongs to one of the three kingdoms—our desks to the vegetable kingdom, our slates and pens to the mineral kingdom, and httle Alice," she added, looking down at the child nearest her, "belongs to the animal kingdom." Alice looked up quite resentually, and her eyes filled with tears as she answered, "Teacher, I fink you are mistaken, for my-mamma says that all little children belong to the kingdom of heaven." The teacher had been instructing

Falsely Charged.

A little Northern boy was visiting the South for the first time. His awe and admiration for the darkies knew no bounds. Meeting a little negro boy one day, he screwed up his courage to ask him his name.

"I is dun called David," promptly replied the little negro.

"Oh!" exclaimed the little fellow, his face full of delighted surprise, "are you the David that killed Go-

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The little negro gave him a terri-fied glance, and, sticking his dusky knuckles in his eyes, shrieked out, "Naw, I ain't nebber teched him."

Absent Treatment.

Ulysses was off to the wars.
"But," protested Penelope, "why
go away to fight? Why not stay at
home?"

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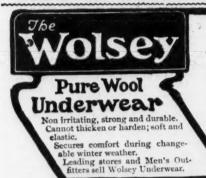
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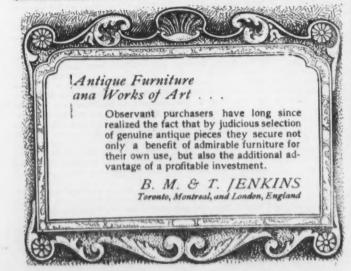
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and inspiring as to become to them ideals!

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Happy are they who find worthy ideals in books! But woe to young men or women who read books that give them ideals that are false and morally degrading!

The great patriots, heroes and benefactors of the world perhaps do their greatest good to mankind, not while they live, by their actual deeds, but after they are dead, by becoming the ideals and inspirers of those who come after them.

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"And I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto me."—Jesus.
"Was Christ a man like us? Ahl let us try If we, too, then, can be such men as he."—Matthew Arnold.

It is hardly possible to estimate the power of ideals in human life. I am does not have his ideals, conscious or unconscious. Some there may be who are not clearly aware that they possess them, just as we all breathe and do many other things which we are not conscious of. But I am dishuman being really does have, hung on the walls of that room of his mind where dwells the wonderful faculty which we call the imagination, pictures, dim or clear, of what seems to him the most desirable kind of haps he knows, or maybe has known in some past fime, or if not that, then persons dreamed of, who represent to his thoughts the kind of life hewolf like to be able to live.

If is these pictures that have the wonder in some past fime, or if not that, then persons dreamed of, who represent to his thoughts the kind of life hewolf like to be able to live.

If is these pictures that have try the pointer's mental conception of what he wishes to embody guides his brush and makes the picture he paints turn out this or that. As the courses of ships over the sea are determined by the ports they seek, so are mental many the point of the points the point of the points the point of the points that the point of the points the point of the points that may be some seemingly angels form, appearing to their ideals. Fortunate those boys and girls who are blessed with parents so wise and tree as to the star before the wise men from than our ideals.

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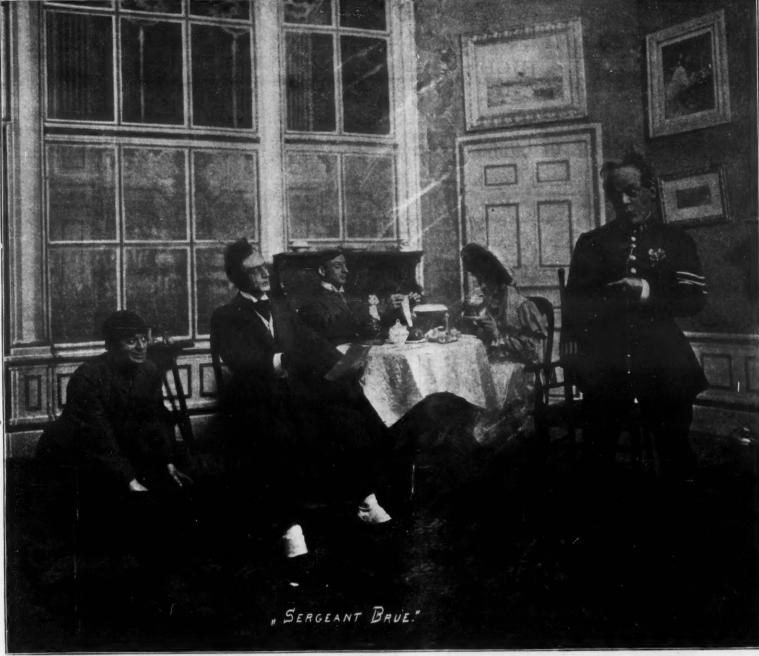
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which might be called a Christmas medley, especially the medley. There are Kris Kringle. King Bunn, King Sugar Plum, Prince Caramel. Fudge, Carmelita, Jack Horner, Simon Simple. Gingerbread Man, Mazie Bon-Bon, Princess Sallie Lunn. Margery Daw and a shining host of village boys, village girls, pastry cooks. peasant girls, courtiers, and the loveliest pink and silver fairies that ever were seen. The play is a trifle long, but has so much sparkle that everyone is surprised to find that it is half-past eleven when the fairies slip away. But it must be remembered that such airy creatures love to keep late hours and forget all about the needs of mere mortals. It is an extremely pretty and merry extravaganza and only a crusty curmudgeon with a heart too old for Christmas would refuse to laugh at the two kings and their extraordinary courtiers, to say nothing of Margery Daw and The Gingerbread Man. To enjoy it thoroughly you must discover, as I did during the first act, a small boy seated beside you, chuckling himself nearly into a fit over the curious ways of Fudge, who, by the way, is that clever actor, Mr. Homer Lind, and looks like a purple Mephisto as he casts his spells over Masie Bon-Bon, known as Miss Almyra Forrest. The small boy was so exceedingly hapony that he became confidential and informed me after the first act that he is ten years o'd and his first name is "Gordon." Think of being finderlaid and informed meather the first act that he became confidential and informed meather the first act that he is test varied and his first name is "Gordon." Think of being treather than the second of and his first name is "Gordon." Think of being treather than the second of fidential and informed me after the first act that he is ten years o'd and his first name is "Gordon." Think of being subject and the season. A street in Santa Claus Land first disp'ays its attractive wares, then the realms of King Sugar Plum and King Bunn, and finally the throne-room of the Sugar Pelace with its walls and columns of rock candy, which vie in sweet suggestion with the ramparts and roadways of strawberry shortcake which stretch in dazzling splendor in the realm of King Bunn. The Gingerbread Cadets' March is very well done and elicits an encore from our exacting audience. The music is better than we usually hear in alleged musical comedy and the song John Dough, which is the Gingerbread Man's special propular and is whistled from all gives us what is an effective, and what we believe is a gives us what is an effective, and what we believe is a gerbread Cadets' March is very well done and elicits an encore from our exacting audience. The music is better than we usually hear in alleged musical comedy and the song John Dough, which is the Gingerbread Man's special lyric, proves extramely mention for the song John Dough. lyric, proves extremely popular and is whistled from all corners of the theater. The small boy, aged ten, con-tributed with enthusiasm to the general accompaniment. While the first act may be abbreviated with happy result Gingerbread Man is thoroughly bright and enjoyable and is as much to be desired as chocolate creams or cafe parfait. The children certainly should see it and the "grown-up" who is bored thereby is the victim of nervous indigestion or the blue devils. The old friends of the Christmas of long ago troop back and we quite agree with

Margery Daw: "O happy, happy times
Of Mother Goosie rhymes!
You know we all believed them in our youth.
And so we can but praise And so we can The olden, golden days, When the jingly-jingly nursery rhymes were truth.

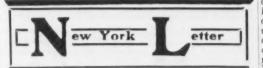
The Grand has been offering this week Sky Farm. New Eng'and rural play. It presents familiar types of village life and characters such as have frequently been dramatized, but possesses a freshness and a true bucolic tone that argue in its author some originality and genuine feeling for the scenes he describes. The scene which is laid in the New England village of Cedarhurst never



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OME quite important changes were rung in theatrical circles during Thanksgiving week. The Sothern-Marlowe Shakespearian engagement, for one, was brought to a close in a revival of Romeo and Juliet, after a very prosperous week of Twelfth Night. Miss Marlowe, both as Viola and Juliet, was all that mind and heart could desire, while Mr. shifts from there, and the intrusion of the city villain shifts from there, and the intrusion of the city villain state only thing to disturb the peaceful tenor of the villagers' ways. The village parson and his housekeeper, the rich, grasping land-owner, the indolent farm-hands and the coquettish post-mistress are piquant portrayals of since Irving's. On the whole the Shakespearian season situations culminating in an absurdly theatrical last act.

Miss Olga Nethersole has also opened her Broadway

consent given first consideration, partly because of her long absence, and partly by reason of her pre-eminent position on the English stage. But still more perhaps because of the fame of play and playwright. Paul Hervien is conceded a leading place among modern French dramatists and *Le Dedale* is regarded as his masterpiece, this naturally excited a degree of literary curiosity. far these expectations were realized you already know. Of the original qualities of Le Dedale there is scarcely a hint in this English adaptation, and we have left simply

an interesting melodrama with an uninteresting problem. At this late date French writers are not engaged in the mere exploitation of a sex problem, and divorce is sufficiently general everywhere. But the peculiar application of Le Dedale is in the conflicting viewpoints of Vilard-Duval and Marianne regarding the Catholic dictum on divorce. A question of little interest to us, perhaps, under our more elastic institutions, but a vital subject for discussion in France. This is one specific purpose of the original, and a second arises when *Merianne*, after her original, and a second arises when Merianne, after her marriage with George le Breuil, would re-marry de Pogis in contravention of the State law. In the English presentation Marianne's motive is put down to revenge, while in the original, if this exists at all, it is as a mere

But all through the effort has been in the direction

Betty's farewell triumph is well worked up, however, in spite of a few such absurd touches of bathos.

Miss Olga Nethersole has also opened her Broadway season, appearing at the Herald Souare in The Labyrinth of confused woe that so lately wrung your own hearts.

With all these opening attractions set down for Monday's hearing, first-nighters were in somewhat of a dilemma. Olga Nethersole, however, was by common clear, except that the Duke had overestimated or misun-derstood the quality of his passion for the famous actress. Had the dissatisfaction been on Betty's side we would have understood it, for the Duke soon proves himself a hard drinker and a gambler. Besides, the curtain gone down on Betty's significant look of scorn for the husband who could get drunk on his wedding night, furnishing, as we supposed, a clue to the future. Of course, in ing. as we supposed, a clue to the future. Of course, in thinking this over again in the light of all that followed ve see that the mere amorous propensities of the Duke vere being heightened.

The inevitable misunderstanding soon follows, and the noble Betty, thinking her husband loves another, withdraws, and when the Duke follows her, persisting in her return, she invents the old story of a scandal on her own side with the lord. Later the Duke learns that it is all a lie but Betty, is then powhere to he found that it is all a lie, but Betty is then nowhere to be found, and no wonder. The author, with his penchant for putting his hero-ines, instead of his audience, to bed for the last act, has thrown the starving Betty on a little four-poster in the attic of a lodging-house. Here, by one of those happy coincidences of stage experience, the Duke finds her and takes her home, while women in the audience weep and strong men begin to fumble under the seats for crushed hats

From A Winter's Tale to this is a long retrograde of the obvious, with the result that instead of the subtle move, and at that the role is not a happy one for Miss differentiation of character that distinguishes the original, the well contrasted viewpoints of the two men with we may call it, that expresses itself in her voice and readwe may call it, that expresses user in her voice and reading, needs the larger, more universal background of the classics. This lesser role is plainly foreign to her tastes and her art, and you realize the insincerity of the attempt.

J. P. W.

Little Talks With Big People.

The Minister Without Portfolio

"I suppose you are a very busy man?" I began apolo-

"Never too busy to talk about how it was done," said the voice behind the cigar, and one of Dr. Beattie Nes-bitt's smiles emerged through the smoke. There was a dreamy look in the Doctor's eyes that spoke of rest after conflict, and when he smiled he looked almost non-parti-

"Of course, you know," I said, hoping fervently that the Doctor was not aware that one of my relatives-in-law is distantly connected with a Grit, "that you are being blamed for all this."

"Blamed I" echoed the Doctor, fiercely. "I'd like to know where any blame comes in. If you're talking about that little affair with the license inspectors, I'd be proud of being concerned in that long-delayed justice by which hungry Tories were fed. We've been fairly starving for office for more than thirty years and since last January we've had only a few crumbs from the Premier's table. I assure you that the meal is in the first course. The entree will be worth dividing." During this speech I seized the opportunity to glance at the walls and discovered that there was an effective frieze of contents. covered that there was an extended that there was an extended that the News. "Yes," said the Doctor, observing my glance, "I regard those as compliments from my friend across the way. I also have a bouquet of pressed wild flowers of which I am very fond." He took from a drawer a sheaf of editorial comment and rustled it playfully. "This is from my critic, Mr. Willison, whose are worth preserving. Their aroma has covered that there was an effective frieze of cartoons from the News. "Yes," said the Doctor, observing my floral tributes are worth preserving. Their aroma has lately been a trifle pungent."

"You seem to enjoy the strenuous life."

"Never felt better. After the strain of the last few weeks these newspaper attacks are very soothing—a kind of journalistic massage."

"But it seems extraordinary that a private member should be the power behind the Premier."

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"Well, you see when Keller was here this season I went to his magical performance and his cabinet tricks struck me as particularly fine. Then it occurred to me that cabinet juggling would be a congenial pastime, and I tried it a week or so ago."
"And three Grits disappeared?"
"Vanished into thin air."

"And heard no warning presto?"

"Why, the warning was last January. If we can't have our own way with such a majority, we might as well not be born to the glorious heritage of Toryism."

"But the independent papers say you have been introducing Tammany methods and the spoils system."

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"Tammany!" repeated the Doctor, reflectively. "It seems to me I've heard the word before." 'It's a way they have in New York," I ventured to

explain.
"Well, while I'm a thorough patriot, I don't believe in being narrow and provincial, and if New York has any dustless methods of cleaning politics we may as well take

out a Canadian patent.' "Then you believe in machine politics?"
"The proof of the machine is in the running."

"And lubrication is sometimes expensive."
"There are methods and methods," said the Doctor gmotically. "Mine have worked very smoothly in

"I suppose your leader is feeling quite chirpy about all

-! What's that?" said the Doctor in blank "My——! What's that?" said the Doctor in blank astonishment. Then a comprehending smile once more sof ened his belilgerent jaw. "Oh, yes. You mean the Member from Morrisburg. Good town, Morrisburg, and Dundas isn't a bad county, though a trifle slow. But I really didn't understand you at first. He's a nice man and I like to encourage him by letting him hold the reins when we come to a level bit of political country. And you have a pleasant name for him, too. Leader! I like that."
"Not quite so, significant perhaps, as Boss."

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"I believe the Globe calls me that," said the Doctor placidly, "but you know in the game of practical politics

clubs are always trump."
"Do you refer to the Albany?" I asked in surprise, recal ing certain Nesbittian reflections in the past regarding

silken hose and fine linen.

"The Albany is all right," said the Doctor heartily,
"but I was using a metaphor."

"Any relation to an alibit?" I queried, politely.

"It is sometimes quite as useful in showing where you who is Energetically Prosecuting the Campaign against

aren't."

"Of course, Dr. Nesbitt, the public is becoming comparatively familiar with your features and your little ways. But there are matters of individual taste, for instance, about which it has not been informed. The Globe, I believe, insists that your favorite diet is stewed Grits, but the Telegram thinks that you like 'em raw."

"They're both mistaken. My favorite breakfast food is Grits on toast. It is a dish I never tire of."

"Do you prefer them young and tender?"

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"Well, almost any Grit has a piquant flavor, but one that has had a long seasoning of office is especially agreeable to my palate. One that has been steeped in security for years is more gasily digested than the fresh variety."
"Isn't there any danger of the supply giving out?"
"Not for years to come. You see, Whitney is rather sparing in his orders and it is only once in a while that I make a holler for more."

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'I suppose you wouldn't like to give me the names of

any officials who are to furnish your future menu? "rers nally, I haven't any objection, because the fare is nothing to apologize for. But Whitney is a little sensitive on the subject, and there's no use in worrying one's —let's see, what was the word you mentioned?—Leader.

—let's see, what was the word you mentioned?—Leader. I can't expect a daily Grit and sometimes I just have to take pot-luck with some petty fellow whose neck was hardly worth wringing."

"I suppose you hardly get time for outside reading. The personal comments of your friends on the press probably leave you no time for polite literature?"

"The story of my life as a Globe serial keeps me going so far as fiction is concerned. However, I occasionally digress and read something heavy. My Lady Nicotine is a book I always admired. Kipling's Betrothed is my favo. ite poem, but I've revised four of the lines to read:

· " 'There are hundreds of Grits in office Whose salaries are no joke; And Whitney is just an old woman,

But a good cigar is a smoke.' Tobacco and the simple life for me! The pink teas of politics are not in my line, but just watch me when it's a scance in the wards."

"Unlike a certain English politician you do not favor the adopting of the orchid?"
"The boys would hardly stand for that. But I am not insensible to the use of a floral emblem. My own choice would be the plum blossom."
"And your motto?"
"Vac victic. 12" I still the standard of the control o

"Vae victis. It's Latin, you know, and means 'look out you get left.' The public is just beginning to realize lat the words are no idle dream."
"But you have never told just how you manage to lake the Calings it up."

make the Cabinet sit up."

"A little knowledge is a dangerous thing—to those whom you know about. Away back in 1903 things happened."

"Yes" I said eagerly.
"Well, that's all. I have an excellent memory for what reight have been and I've always found that every little souvenir helps. When it's a case of me or Joe Flavelle, why Joseph is sold by his brethren every time Winnipeg.



AT HOME COMMITTEE, MEDICAL FACULTY UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO, 1905 Top row—J. M. Carnduff, '09; W. D. Slater, '09; A. F. Kay, '07; L. B. Graham, '07; F. D. Wilson, '08; V. E. Cartwright, '06; H. J. James, '07; M. S. Hawke, '08; W. A. Taylor, '07.

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and has to go away down to Egypt. Whitney has lost his News halo, but it will be shined up again next year when he does more things for the hospital. In the meantime—supposing I was the Governor of North Carolina?"



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The driver of an old four-wheeler turned into a phono graph shop the other night. The attendant handed him the ear-tubes, placed them in proper position, and immediately started the machine. The old chap instantly dropped the tubes and rushed to the door crying, "Jupiter! 'old on 'arf a tick, there's a blanketty brass band a-comin' and there ain't nobody 'oldin' my 'orse."

Revised Rhymes.

Oh, no, we never mention him, His name is never heard; There's no one wishes now to speak That once familiar word.
The poets dare not breathe his name, They sadder grow and dumber; They'll have to wait to swell his praise Until the golden summer.

The journal called Examiner Of Peterboro' town, Has recently in accents stern Been calling Whitney down.
But J. P. is not much surprised,
Full shrewdly doth he guess, wonder should those mournful lines Be signed by J. R. S.?"

"'R. J.' wary and contrairy,
How do the street cars go?"—
"Yonge Street's bad, and the Belt Line's sad,
With Bloor and McCaul in a row."

George—Life is what we make it. Harry—Are you an actuary?

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HE O. R. F. U. annual meeting, which takes place to-day, will be more of a love-feast than anything else. There are few organizations in which there is so much harmony and in which the executive is so little criticized. The reason for this may be found in the fact that the Ontario Union is beyond the shadow of a doubt amateur. There is no competing for players amongst the clubs, there is no residence rule squabble, and each town has played bona fide home-produced teams. All the scheduled games have been played with the exception of four, which London defaulted. Every arrangement for games, place of meeting or officials has been carried out with a smoothness and despatch that reflect great credit on those who are at

the head of affairs. The number of teams in the Union was 32, four in the senior, nine in the intermediate, 19 in the junior series. No other football league in Canada has as large a membership, and in fact the junior series of the O. R. F. U. is the only junior series in Canada in which the championship title bestows real honor on the

recipients.

The past season could not be termed anything else than successful. It is true that the senior series was more or less of a fiasco. One team defaulted, one was admittedly outclassed, the third was very mediocre but refused to admit it, and the fourth, Hamilton, seemed a giant among Lillioutians. As a result the series was about as interesting as a "fixed" boxing bout or a six-day bicycle race, and any person who makes bold to boast about it knows nothing of the wisdom of silence. All that must be admitted; yet when one considers the intermediate and knows nothing of the wisdom of silence. All that must be admitted; yet when one considers the intermediate and junior series, the O. R. F. U.'s stock advances several points. In both series splendid football was shown and the championships were only won after the keenest kind of competition. The O. R. F. U. in the last few years has been making a determined effort to revive the game amongst the towns outside Toronto, and success has crowned its efforts. Each year has seen additions to its membership and a steady growth of interest on the part of the sporting public of this province. The majority of the rlayers have learned the game of late, and as a necessity the quality of play has not yet reached the highwater mark, but it is only a question of time before players of sterling senior calibre abound. In the Quebec Union the clubs have relied entirely on the old players. New material has not been developed, and no new clubs New material has not been developed, and no new clubs have surung up to introduce the game in new localities. It is not, therefore, inconceivable that while the Ontario Union waxes the Quebec Union will wane. Anyway, the O. R. F. U. has a bright future ahead of it as an athletic organization which fulfils a beneficial function in provid-ing clean and healthy exercise and sport for the Ontario

"Oh, those Ottawa officials, Lord deliver us from those Ottawa officials," seems to be the cry in athletics these days. Once let it be known that an official hails from Ottawa and outside clubs at once lose all faith in his Ottawa and outside this at honesty or square dealing. An Ottawa referee and an Ottawa umpire were the two horns of a dilemma upon which Peterborough refused to be impaled. Accordingly they, quite rightly, declined to obey President Clancy's order to play off for the Canadian Intermediate championof the Canadian Intermediate charpointship in Ottawa. Mr. Clancy seems to have a happy faculty of bringing on disputes. In fact he is a veritable storm-center, and blasts from every quarter blow upon his devoted head. To an outsider it seems an astounding piece of impertinence and effrontery for him to appoint two Ottawa officials, admittedly ignorant of the snap-back rules. It appears on a par with appointing, in a boxing match, the second of one of the two contestants as referee. match, the second of one of the two contestants as referee. Yet after all, ethics may be, as is said, merely a question of climate, and Ottawa standards may consider such action quite according to the Golden Rule. We can, however, sympathize with Peterborough in being deprived of an opportunity to add another scalp—trebly precious because an Ottawa scalp—to their belt. Nowadays there is too much of this locking of championships in safe-deposit works and chirking of grames by shallow scapitary. Honor vaults and shirking of games by shallow sophistry. Honor easily won is a poor motto for sportsmen, but a team that is ready to play all comers and thirsts for glory instead of gate receipts is a rara avis, a true nine days' wonder. The reputation of even the 'Varsity team, which has al-

ways been noted for sportsman-like actions, suffers some stain from its refusal to meet Hamilton.

The visit of the University of Toronto Association team to Pennsylvania was a pleasant instance of the international courtesies exchanged too rarely by universities on different sides of the line. The Toronto students lost their first game on the day of their arrival, with All-Philadelphia 0—3, but won the remaining two with the Combined Cricket clubs and the University of Pennsylvania, 4—0 and 5—I respectively. The games were played before crowds of over 2,000 and the gate receipts were sufficient to make the trip a financial success. Association football evidently is a better drawing card in Philadelphia than in Toronto. Here a crowd of five or six hundred is a rarity, and it would be a serious financial loss to bring over American university teams. The same on different sides of the line. The Toronto students lost loss to bring over American university teams. The same conditions prevail in other sports, and Canadian teams are forced to play the role of visitors and rarely have the opportunity of returning the hospitality they receive from American hosts. Such an arrangement is too one-sided, and there is a danger of Canadians out-staying their wel-come-while and being looked upon as mendicants. The University of Toronto, which for years has been sending lacrosse teams to the American colleges, should, especially, take note of this, and, for the sake of selfrespect, even at a pecuniary loss, bring over some of the college teams from across the border.

The organization of hockey clubs goes on apace, and the managements of clubs that pay the coin are using spade and broom in frantic haste to cover up all evidence of the steps they take in soliciting and hiring players. Yet somehow or other these little deals find their way to Yet somehow or other these little deals and their way to light and occasion scandals even in clubs of the most unsmirched reputations. Good faith among hockey managers and hockey players seems to be a rare commodity judging by the disagreements and revelations that find their way into print. In Winnipeg the retirement of the Rowing Club from hockey revealed the fact that the Western hockeyists are more progressive than their Eastern breithern in demanding the cash equivalent of their Western hockeyists are more progressive than their Eastern brethren in demanding the cash equivalent of their services. To those who know, the calm that prevails in Ottawa hockey circles is the surest indication that the men are going to get what they think sufficient; for if there were any little disputes or throw-downs in the vital matter of salaries an outcry would arise from the Ottawa players. In Montreal, also, it is an understood thing that many of the hockeyists are paid, but in Toronto it is considered heretical to mention such a thing. Neverthelessidered heretical to mention such a thing. Neverthelessidered heretical to mention such a thing. sidered heretical to mention such a thing. Nevertheless it is quite within reason to ask, "Are conditions in Toronto the same as in Montreal, Ottawa and Winnipeg?" My to the same as in Montreal, Ottawa and Winnipeg?" My own opinion is that they are somewhat the same, although in a much more limited degree. Players from outside towns have come and gone with much secrecy, but they never stay longer than the hockey season. The reasons for the comings and goings of these birds of passage cannot be other than financial ones. Then again several of the senior city clubs invariably and the season with a much smaller balance in the treastry than one would expect, considering the large gate receipts. As in the famous case of the Toronto Lacrosse Club, these balances will sometimes not bear inspection. Whether these facts be indications or not of professionalism in Toronto hockey circles, there has been at least no public proof that things indications or not of professionalism in Toronto hockey circles, there has been at least no public proof that things are not as they should be. Privite surmises are rampant, but the public can still hing the delusion that Toronto hockey players are not cast in the same mould as their fellows in other large Canadian cities.

In spite of all the denunciations to which six-day bicycle racing has been subjected, the sport, if that be the correct name for it, still flourishes in New York. This race has become a name of the true of the Marien Source.

race has become an angual fixtur, at the Madison Square Gardens, and all this past week the various teams of riders have been going their weary rounds. The sole reason for the continuance of this racing fixture is its value as an advertising medium for the bicycle manufacturers. Years ago when the face was a novelty it attracted widespread interest throughout the continent, but WINNIPEG ROWING CLUB CHAMPION RUGBY TEAM, 1905.

Top row—H. Sullivan, trainer; S. C. Richards, wing; Grant Millar, scrimmage; Art Kent, full back.
R. W. Patterson, wing; E. Conde, scrimmage; J. Salter, scrimmage; S. S. Burton, manager.
Second row—A. J. W. Galbraith, wing; C. McKay, half-back; Ed Chown, ouarter-back; J. S. Laycock, wing (captain); E. B. Wood, half-back; A. Pattinson, wing; C. Ruttan, half-back.
Bottom row—E. B. K. Watson, wing; J. T. Hewitt, full back.
This team has not been beaten this season, and lost but one game last year. Laycock, Millar, Kent and Hewitt are old Toronto boys. Chown formerly played in Westmount, Montreal. McKay is also a Montreal boy. Galbraith is from London and Patterson is an old Kingstonian. All the rest of the team learned the game in Winniber.



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The Very Kind.

The Sunday-school teacher asked the class, "What kind of boys go to heaven?" And one little urchin yelled out, "Dead boys!"

hand.

"Hey, you," he said roughly, "gimme yer fare."

"None o' that. Cough up yer nickel."

"I've tried," replied the boy, "but it won't come up."

Useless.

He was a ragged little fellow stealing a ride on a crowded street car returning from a baseball game. After the conductor had passed the front of the car he worked his way up under the guard-rail and sat down in a vacant seat. The conductor, however, saw him, and, returning, held out his hand.

BOOKS.

With a steady swing and an open brow
We have tramped the ways to-

gether, we're clasping hands at the

crossroads now In the Fiend's own night for wea-And whether we bleed or whether we

smile
In the leagues that lie before us,
The ways of life are many a mile
And the dark of Fate is o'er us.
Here's luck!
And a cheer for the dark before us!
—Richard Hovey.

The Conquest of Canaan.

Judging by the qualities of "The Gentleman From Indiana" and "Monsieur Beaucaire," the public has the right to expect a good story from Mr. Tarkington, one of the younger United States novelists. But in his latest book, "The Conquest of Canaan," he gratifies our expectation so lavishly that we can but be thankful for a book so refreshing. It is a draught of the best "home-brewed," yet has the finest flavor. The author has accomplished a work as unusual as it is desirable. He has taken a modern town with all its commonplace unloveliness and has made the heroic apparent in the midst of the sordid. Joe Louden has a chivalry as true as that of Beaucaire, to whom "the crimson of a rose" proved too alluring, and the story of his fight and triumph is told with an art that leaves the reader a friend of Joe's forever. To the Canadian the town of Canaan seems familiar ground; indeed, it might as well be in Ontario as in Indiana.

The first chapter, "Enter Chorus," sketches with swift, telling strokes the group of sages who gathered near the windows of the "National House" to discuss the affairs of home and foreign policy. Mr. Eskew Arp, aged seventy-five, is the most delightful of this philosophic gathering and discourses on the wickedness of The Conquest of Canaan.



MR. BOOTH TARKINGTON,

Canaan in a fashion that stimulates the imagination, concluding, "What proof can vou bring me that we folks, modernly, ain't more degenerate than the ancient Romans?" The description of the party at which poor Ariel Tabor received but little attention is so vividly sympathetic that we cannot smile when that unfortunate young person, in her terrible gown, trips and brings her partner with her to the floor. Who does not recognize this description of the most imposing residence in Canaan? "It was a hideous house, important-looking, cold, yet harshly aggressive, a house whose exterior provoked a shuddering guess of the brass lambrequins and plush fringes within; a solid house, obviously—nay, blatantly—the residence of the principal citizen whom it had grown to resemble as is the impish habit of houses; and it sat in the middle of its flat acre of snowy lawn like a rich, fat man enraged and sitting straight up in bed to swear."

e Canaanites returning from ling service on Sunday are also iar to Canadian readers: "The imparted largely a gloom to the a imparted largely a gloom to the crant concourse, most of them tring hot, long black coats and ing wilted their collars; the ladies eving this gloom somewhat by lighter tints of their garments; spick-and-span little girls relievit greatly by their white dresses their faces, the latter bright with hope of Sunday ite-cream; while boys, experiencing some solace that they were finally out where a

the hope of Sunday ict-cream; while the boys, experiencing some solace in that they were finally out where a person could at least scratch himself if he had to, yet oppressed by the decorous necessities of the day, marched along, furtively planting, behind imperturbably secretive countenances, various means for the later dispersal of an odious monotony."

The heroine, Ariel Tabor, is as graceful a swan as ever was developed from an ugly duckling. Ariel is the most satisfying young woman we have met for many a day in the social waste of modern fiction. Mr. Hope no doubt intended to make Ora Pinsent charming, while Mrs. Humphry Ward had similar intentions with Lady Kitty. But the reader found them irritating and unconvincing. But Mr. Tarkington does not need to tell us that Ariel is wilful yet womanly, a roguish tease, yet a tender sweetheart. She is as true and winsome a woman as ever comforted and strengthened a misunderstood hero and we are grateful for a creature so bewitching. But only a man noveland we are grateful for a creature so bewitching. But only a man novelist would send a young person of Ariel's good judgment to church in that wonderful Paris gown "with the faint lavender overtint, like the tender colors of the beautiful day he made his own."

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"Ancient of Days." This is a story

in which the ideal is preserved through all the naive, homely presentation of the life of the small town. It is good work of a kind that this generation needs and we may expect yet greater things from the young author. (Toronto: The Poole Publishing Co.)

Red Fox.

The animal book is scattered profusely on the book-store counters just now in preparation, no doubt, for Christmas sales. Mr. C. G. D. Roberts seems to have forsaken verse for-creatures of "horn and hide and feather," his latest story being a record of the doings of "Red Fox," an exceedingly clever and venturesome Master Reynard, whose vulpine vicissitudes make interesting reading. His career is run in the backwoods districts of Eastern Canada and the chickens in the neighborhood have a lively night when Red Fox betakes himself to the barnyard. We leave him on his way to the mountains and are glad that His Foxship escapes from the pack and the scarlet hunters, whose sport assumes a brutal aspect when we look at their small prey. The descriptions of woodland life are full of color and spirit and Mr. Roberts does not make the mistake of sentimentalizing over his foxy hero. The illustrations, by Charles Livingston Bull, are numerous and excellent, and the olive-green cover, with "Red Fox" brilliant against a background of golden moon, is attractive in its holiday appearance.

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moon, is attractive in its holiday appearance.

The book would gladden a boy's eyes and heart. But it does not contain a chapter as good as the splendid panther story which Mr. Roberts told us long ago. (Toronto: The Copp, Clark Co.)

Jules of the Great Heart.

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Away to the snows of the Northland and the early days of the Hudson Bay Company we are taken by the sledges and dogs belonging to Jules Verbaux, a free trapper and outlaw, who shows up the company as being a tyrannical corporation. Jules is a man of marvellous strength, bravery and luck, who belongs rather to the realm of fairyland, and yet he is a right manly fellow, too, who kills his enemies in an artistic and masterful fashion and still can heap coals of fire on their unworthy heads when the psychological moment arrives. The murder of Tritou is a ghastly bit of realism, which the nervous reader had better peruse in broad daylight. Tritou's exit would not make pleasant dreaming material. In all fairness to Jules, however, it must be admitted that his foes deserve the dreadful dealings which are meted out to them, and the demands of poetic justice are satisfied. It is difficult to forgive the author, Mr. Mott, for making the Irish factor a coward. Varied are Paddy's failings, but he does not shirk a fight. The author is only twenty-two years of age, but many an older novelist might envy him the terse vigor which gives us to see the stalwart Jules in his world with white earth and brilliant skies, full of heart-breaking toil, to be at last rewarded by a meeting with Marie. The frontispiece, by F. E. Schoonover, shows a strong and sombre "Canadien." (Toronto: The Copp, Clark Co.)

sombre "Canadien." (Toronto: The Copp, Clark Co.)

The House of a Thousand Candles.

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J. G.

A Religion to Live and Die By (Continued From Page Seven.)

definiteness, just how it is that Jesus has benefited the world.

The benefit which Jesus has conferred, and is conferring, upon mankind, I believe to be primarily twofold; first, that of a teacher; second, and even more important, that of an insurer.

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As a teacher of truth he certainly occupies a very lofty place in the world—a place probably second to none. The truths about which He concerned Himself were of the very first order: they were the truths of

none. The truths about which He concerned Himself were of the very first order; they were the truths of the soul, those truths which pertain to the strengthening, the enlarging, the ennobling of man's nature. Such truths must always be ranked as of the highest importance.

True, much that He taught had been set forth more or less clearly by Jewish prophets and seers before Him, and even by great teachers of other nations; for no age or race has a monopoly of light or knowledge; and, as Paul says, "God hath not left Himself without witness in any land." Truth is a plant; its seed is dropped often from an unknown source; the winds and rains born of many climes water it; the sun over all gives it warmth. So it grows, and by and by blossoms, and at last bears fruit. Thus the truth that rose to finest blossoming and most perfect fruitage in Jesus was from seed sown, God only knows how far back in the world's spiritual history, and nourished by influences, God only knows from how many ages and lands. All we can say is that the vision, which others before Him had seen in part, it was given Him to see more perfectly; the words which they had spoken stammeringly it was given Him to speak with such clearness and grace and power that they thrilled all who heard, and took their place at once as a part of the richest treasure of the world's moral and spiritual wisdom.

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And yet, important and even revolutionary as were His teachings, especially His teaching of God's Fatherhood and men's brotherhood, I think His life—His life culminating as it did in His heroic martyr death—was more important and powerful still, both in its influence upon those who knew Him and those who came after Him. His utterances alone—at least as they are reported to uscan by no means account for the profound impression He made upon His time and the powerful religious movement He was able to set in operation in the world. It is plain, judging from the biographies we have of Him and from the effects that have flowed from His life, that He must have been a singularly strong, unselfish, loving and heroic soul—possessed of a character both winning and commanding in the very highest degree.

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This would seem to be the rational explanation of what certainly happened. For no sooner was He dead and gone out of their sight than He became to His disciples and followers their ideal. They did not worship Him; on the contrary they spoke of Him steadily as a man; but their enthusiasm for Him and their sense of His nobleness and worth seemed to overtop every other feeling, and their loyalty rose to such a pitch of enthusiasm—steady, unflagging enthusiasm—that they would willingly die for the things He taught and for the honor of His name.

Nor did this personal loyalty and devotion stop with His immediate followers, but it communicated itself to those who came after them. The ideal which had risen with such splendor before their eyes, and with such power over their lives, they were able to bequeath to their children and the generations following; indeed it has never faded nor lost its charm and power; rather has it extended its influence; from being the ideal of simply a handful of personal followers, becoming the ideal of thousands, of millions, of rations, of races, until unquestionably to-day it, more than any other, is the ideal of the civilized world.

Here, then, I think it is that we had the property of the second of the civilized world.

benefited the world. He not only taught truth—truth the loftiest and most important that the mind can conceive—but, what was vastly more important, He lived it, and thus became its incarnation among men came its incarnation among men Truth merely spoken is ever com-paratively cold and dead. Live it paratively cold and used, and you increase its generating power a hundredfold. Character impresses the who as no words ever can. He who speaks truth is a voice—nothing more. He who lives truth becomes an ex-ample, an ideal; and it is ideals that move men with a power greater than any other known in the moral world. lifting them upward and ever more upward if the ideals are noble, but dragging them downward and ever more downward if the ideals are

Notice some of the lower ideals which compete with the Christ ideal in the world—ideals which degrade and injure men, but which the ideal which we have in Jesus tends ever to correct.

One of these lower ideals is the One of these lower ideals is the military. How many ages have been dominated by the thought of military glory? The man before whom all bowed was the great captain. The career to which the young man looked as the most attractive and glorious that his imagination could paint was that of the hero in bottle or the commander of armies. battle or the commander of armies.



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Even in Christian ages and lands this military ideal has been a widely prevailing one. And yet ever, even when the war spirit has run highest, another ideal has lifted itself up silently by the side of that of conquest and blood and glory. It has been the ideal of the gentle Christ, who said: "Put up thy sword"—the Christ whose whole life was love; at whose birthhour the legend says angels sung, "Peace on earth, good will to men." Cruel enough has been the habit of war since Jesus lived and died. But who can tell how much worse it would have been had not the ideal of the Prince of Peace, of Him who loved even His enemies, and who, when He was reviled, reviled not again, hung as a sacred image in the thought and heart of thousands, to restrain their cruelty and to woo them to mercy and peace! It is sad to think how much of war there is yet, even in Christendom, and how many professedly Christian nations are armed camps. And yet to-day it is plain that the military hero nowhere stands in so high honor as once he did. Just in the degree in which the Christ ideal rises in its beauty, the military ideal shrinks away out of sight as an ugly, horrible thing of the darkness.

Another low ideal of life, which is even more widespread than the military, and which, equally with it, wars with that which we see in Christ, is that of wealth-getting for mere wealth's sake, or for ends of selfishness.

The wealth-ideal is a very fascinating one to-day, particularly in this country. Young men around us look up to the millionaire with something of the same envy that the youth of three or four hundred years ago looked up to the knight, or the baron, or the great captain. Perhaps the temptation to sell one's soul for wealth, was never greater than now.

wealth, that is, to let character and manhood go for the sake of getting wealth, was never greater than now. But it must be resisted.

Not that wealth is necessarily an evil. If honestly obtained, held as subordinate to things that are higher and used for worthy ends it is good. But he who is willing to get it in dishonest ways, or who thinks of the getting of it as the supreme object of life, is far on the way toward perdition, if he has not already crossed jits threshold.

its threshold. The gospel gives us a legend of certain temptations that were said to have come upon Jesus from the Devil. One part of the legend runs:
"The devil taketh him up into an exeeeding high mountain, and sheweth nim all the kingdoms of the world him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them; and saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me." A very small price to pay, surely, for such boundless possessions! Did Jesus yield? Sternly He replied, "Get thee hence, Satan." Here is a lesson for millions to-day. The true man must say, "Get thee hence, Satan," to many an offer of wealth, and honor, and preferment, and worldly good that involves dishonor. In the stillness of the night the Christ-ideal speaks to you and me and all men, saying: "He that seeketh to save his life (that is, liveth for self) shall lose it; but he that loseth his life for truth and right and duty, shall save it."

Another ideal of life, closely related

neither will be likely to be far wrong.

The great tendency among men everywhere is to follow the standards and ideals that are dominant in the particular society in which they happen to move. It is a great thing to have a standard that overtops my little circle and yours, that can be seen from community to community, from nation to nation, from age to age. Such a standard has the Christ-life come to be. Not because anybody has decreed that it should be so, but because that life is in itself so intrinsically beautiful that when men have seen it they have felt its beauty and enshrined it in their hearts.

It has been urged that the final standard in all judgments is the "consensus of the competent." Very well, in Jesus we have the consensus of the competent expressed in matters religious jux as in Shakespeare.

well, in Jesus we have the consensus of the competent expressed in matters religious, just as in Shakespeare, Beethoven and Angelo we have the consensus of the competent expressed in matters poetical, musical, and artistic. The world seeks for its best. When the men and women whose judgments are of most value, everywhere, with almost perfect unanimity point to Angelo in art and say, "He is best," and to Beethoven in music and Shakespeare in poetry and say, "They are best," we gladly accept the verdict, lift them up into places of honor, become learners of them, make what they have done a standard whereby to test and measure and correct our poorer work. So it is in morals and religion. Here, too, we ask, "Who is best?" that here it is in morals and religion. Here too, we ask, "Who is best?" that here too, we ask, "Who is best?" that here also as in art and poetry and music we may have our ideals and standards and masters to teach us. With a unanimity quite as great as in the cases already referred to, the word comes back, "Jesus is best." And so we take His life and lift it up on high, and say, "It shall be a standard by which we will correct the lower and poorer standards which we have set up for ourselves; it shall be an ideal to inspire us to better things than we have yet reached; it shall be a luminary in our sky in the light of which we will walk."

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And shadowy shapes of fear still haunt the night,
Some mountain peak reflects the coming light, waiting lips break forth with

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sudden glad to know 'tis light on high! the sight Grow sudden g

And when these mountain-towering men can say, They see, though it be hidden from our eyes,'
We can believe in better things to
be!

So, though the shadows still obscure

our way,
We see the light, reflecting from
the skies,
That crowns thy brows, O Man of
Galilee!"

Thus it is that in His light we see light. Thus it is that in His light the ages have been walking, and shall walk, finding safety and wisdom and great hone.

Another ideal of life, closely related to wealth-getting, is that of pleasure-seeking. But a greater delusion never fell upon men than that of thinking oleasure a worthy, or in any sense whatever a satisfying, object ti live for. To live for pleasure is to chase a mirage and die famished in a desert. But he who lives the life of the Christ-ideal will, with this ideal, find the noblest and most enduring pleasures that this world has to give. He will not find them, however, because he selfishly seeks for them, but because, forgetting self, he lives for love and duty and God.

One great value of the Christ-ideal is that it forms a standard whereby to test all the false and the doubtful ideals of the world. If I set my clock by my neighbor's it will not be at all certain to be right. But if we both set our clocks by the sun,



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Oh, for a new revelation of the Christ-life to men! It would transform the Church. It would win mankind. Who could resist it? Who would desire to resist it, any more than to resist the beauty of flowers, or the light of day?

For the theological Christ the

than to resist the beauty of flowers, or the light of day?

For the theological Christ the world has no need. Too long has that abstraction, that spectre, created by the minds of priests and dogmatists, darkened and cursed religion.

But for the real human Christ who lived and taught in Galilee; the Christ of the Sermon on the Mount, and the Golden Rule, and the incomparable Parables; the Christ who loved His fellowmen so tenderly, alike the rich and the poor, the good and the bad, and spent His life going about doing good; the Christ who was faithful in all duty—faithful even unto death; the Christ who had such matchless power to impress Himself upon others, communicating to them death; the Christ who had such matchless power to impress Himself upon others, communicating to them His spirit, and making them to feel the beauty of holiness, the nearness of God, and the divineness of humanity; the Christ who has been the inspiration of so much of the world's best beneficence, bravest deeds, and loftiest consecration, in all the ages since He trod the earth; the Christ whose life among His fellows was so transcendently pure and noble that those who saw it lifted up on high as an ideal for themselves and for all men—for that Christ, the world, the Christian Church, and all of us as individuals, have a need greater than any language of mine can tell. I took as my text the words, "Looking unto Jesus." It is not speaking extravagance, but only what the experience of nineteen centuries confirms as the simplest truth, when I say that the world has never found any other human source of inspiration and strength to which it can

any other human source of inspira-tion and strength to which it can look with so much profit.

And His help is for all. It is for rich and poor; it is for the strongest and the weakest. It is for you and me. Let us avail ourselves of it. In our temptations, our discourage-

ments, our perplexities, our fears, our sorrows, we may look to Him and find in His example new courage and hope; we may touch Him and draw from Him new moral life and power.

No, friends, it has not been an ac-cident or a mistake that has caused so large a part of the world to choose as its ideal of life and its leader in the things of the spirit, the prophet of Nazareth, the martyr of Jerusatem. May we all be wise enough shape our lives in the light of His!

ECHOES OF THE PAST. An Evening of Delightful Reminiscence.

Historic names in the manufacture manner by Arnold Dolmetsch, who is considered the chief authority on old-time music and old-time instruments and nothing so unique in the form of musical entertainment has been heard in Toronto as listening to these voices of the past, as illustrated by the rare collection in Mr. Dolmetsch's possession. Mr. Dolmetsch finds that the more arduous climate of the New World, with its ever-varying changes in temperature is programmed. in temperature, is more trying on his instruments, and it is this feature which the great piano-makers of America have had to consider most carefully in the construction of their instruments.

In the very interesting souvening the very interesting souvenir programme, which was distributed at the volmetsch concert, some most instructive notes were written on the history of the old-time instruments, and as an appropriate conclusion to this souvenir came the following statement:-

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battle.
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When ex-President Cleveland's son When ex-Fresident Cleveland's son Richard was about five wears old the stork brought another son to the Cleveland family. Dick was told of the arrival of a little brother, and he was very curious to see him. Mr. Cleveland took the first opportunity to gratify the lad's curiosity. Dick was the bit of red humanity for gazed at the bit of red humanity for quite a while, and then, with great seriousness, he looked up into his father's face and said, "Pop, he'd make first-rate bait, wouldn't he?"

A man came up to a lecturer in a hotel in Kansas City, saying with enthusiasm: "Well, sir, I enjoyed your lecture very much last night." "I didn't see you there." "Oh, I wasn't there." "Well, what do you mean by telling me you enjoyed my lecture, and you were not present?" "Oh, I bought tickets for my girl's father and mother, and they both went!"

of the story of Dives and Lazarus. He pointed out how, when Dives was in Hades, he did not ask for beer or wine or whisky, but for one drop of water. "Now, my friends," said the lecturer, "what does that show us?" A voice from the back of the hall instantly replied: "It shows us where you temperance people go to."

A boy who had accomplished a good deal in football but little in his studies was dropped from one preparatory school and immediately invited to enter another. He had been there a few days when he met a member of the faculty. "Well." said the professor, "how do you find it here?" "Pretty fair," said the boy. "That's good. Find it smooth going, eh?" The boy considered. "Well, I shouldn't like to say that, exactly," he said. "The field's sort of rough yet in places, sir."

The great opera singer, Mme. Grisi, who was married to Signor Mario, the tenor, was singing in St. Petersburg. The Emperor, the father of the present one, gave Mme. Grisi permission to walk in his private park. One morning the Emperor met Mme. Grisi, accompanied by two little girls. The Emperor saluted her, and said: "Are these two Grisettes?" "No, your majesty, replied Mme. Grisi, "those are two Marionettes."

Bishop Joseph Wilmer, of Louisiana, and Bishop Richard Wilmer, of Alabama, and Cousins and natural friends. In their travels in Italy one summer, the Bishop of Alabama was pointing out with enthusiasm certain architectural beauties. The Bishop of Louisiana was bored. He said: "It's all very fine, Cousin Dick, but, nevertheless, a rich held tragrant with the odor of new-mown hay would please me better." And the Bishop of Alabama replied: "Cousin Joe, there's not a donkey in all Italy Bishop of Alabama replied: "Cousin Joe, there's not a donkey in all Italy that would not agree with you.

A certain Irishwoman, on her deathbed, called her husband to her side. "Patrick," she said, "I've a last rayquist to make of ye." last rayquist to make of ye." "I couldn't rayfuse ye annything, Mary, darlint," resoonded the sorrowing husband. "ratrick," said Mary, soiemnly, "I want ye sh'ud lave mother ride in the carriage beside ye to me funeril." "Tis too much ye're askin' of me, Mary!" cried Pat, springing to his feet in desperation. Mary, however, was determined on this point, and Pat finally yielded to her "last rayquist." "I'll lave her ride be me side," he promised, weeping bitterly, "but mark ye, Mary, darlint, 'twill shpoil the day fur me entoirely, that it will!"

Bird Geography.

A recent visitor to Beaconsfield churchyard asked a middleaged native of the village to be directed to the graves of Burke and Waller. The man said he had no recollection of any such persons having been buried there. "But," he added, "you see that little chemist's shop over there? That's the shop where Devereux, the trunk-murder man, used to be an apprentice!"

A temperance lecturer, speaking in Keene, N. H., reminded his hearers

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Meb.—The most congenial friends and highest companionship will be found for you (October 10th) among fire people (April, August and December), next under your own Libra folk and sometimes under Aquarius (January 28th). You see it's not a first choice by any means. I cannot give an arbitrary answer about the latter. So much depends on the stage of development. I hesitate also to recommend you the nursing profession, which is trying even to well-poised natures, and you are anything but steady and firm. Child-nursing would certainly suit you best. Your writing is full of temperament, mercurial impulse and easily influenced by surroundings and atmosphere. You have some imagination, decided talent and fairly good persistence. I don't think you are very progressive and up-to-date mentally, likely preferring the worn ways we know. It is a very bright, vital and interesting hand. Your ambitions are probably somewhat strong; if you cultivate discretion you will be more likely to realize them.

cheerful, adaptable and possess the instinct of caution with its practice.

2. It is excellent luck if you work it out well. You have some humor, great independence of spirit, a practical and probably saving nature, much tact, sympathy and general grace. It is a study only needing time to steady decision and bring out a splendid nature. November 7th brings you fully under Scorpio, a water sign, capable of the finest development. The Scorpio person who is true to herself will be a beneficent influence over everyone else. If she influence over everyone else. If she is through fear or favor false, she is hopelessly degraded. Therefore be true first, and all that is good be-

Magnus—l'd give a good deal for our experience. What stories one Magnus—I'd give a good deal for your experience. What stories one could weave of it, if the conditions had not stolen all pleasantness and interest. I have known nurses obliged to give their names and addresses to the police before they dared accept certain cases in some of those regions, and be looked after regularly to ensure their safety. March 24th brings you under the fire sign, Aries, but the influence of Pisces, the March sign (water), is still more or less evident. It is a fine, strong study, full of suggestion and thought, somewhat broad and generous, tenacious of opinions and rights, very logical and persevering, brightly percepcal and persevering, brightly percep-tive and with some imagination. There is a pleasant philosophy and adaptability and a good deal of na-tural talent shown.

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Irish—Neither do I like Teddy R., though he has never said "An hon-air" nor even "Delighted" or "A pleasure" to me, because we've never met. I just don't like him, and we shall not meet if I have my way. Now Irish (who is taken for French when she's bad and English when she's good), it seems to me you wouldn't be taken for French (and feminine) if you spelled passée and blasée in the form you do in your letter. It made your announcement that you were a girl quite a surprise, later on. You also come under Scorpio, October 26th, but have much of the flighty impulse and uncertainty of Libra in you. Sometimes you are as I find you, quite charming, a bit hasty, a bit crude, but clever and observant. There is capital ability and a certain sense of humor, an almost aggressive independence and rejection of sentiment, with very strong power of affection notwithstanding. You're sometimes over-frank, and if I had a state secret I'd lock it up from you, I'm afraid. I am sorry I've mislaid my memory of that race suicide question. It's not one that worries me. Now, Irish, be as good as you're capable, and you'll do.

Crocus—The study is rather formal

as you're capable, and you'll do.

Crocus—The study is rather formal and crude, copybook style, but withing is full of temperament, mercurial impulse and easily influenced by surroundings and atmosphere. You have some imagination, decided talent and fairly good persistence. I don't think you are very progressive and up-to-date mentally, likely preferring the worn ways we know. It is a very bright, vital and interesting hand. Your ambitions are probably somewhat strong; if you cultivate discretion you will be more likely to realize them.

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paid him, while making the full allowance on all exchange transactions. He has set apart and fitted up a special room in which customers or enquirers will find a congenial and appropriate atmosphere. On the walls one first notices on entering the room a number of air-tight glass-fronted cases, in which are shown his choicest fiddle treasures, among which are noted violins by Grancino, Francisco Ruggeri and that popular English maker, Duke. The room contains, however, many violins of lesser fame and several interesting curiosities. Here can be seen an old viola, made by Chanot, on the principles advocated by the eminent French acoustician Savart. It was claimed at the time that the instruments made on the Savart plan were equal in tone to the best work of Stradivari, but all such pretensions have since been abandoned. Hanging from the walls in frames are interesting old documents, several of historic importance, diplomas awarded the firm for musical instruments as far back as 1861, a genuine Paganini conpaid him, while making the full alfirm for musical instruments as far back as 1861, a genuine Paganini concert programme, portraits of the great virtuosi, etc. There is a story attaching to a rough old fiddle which came from Kingston penitentiary many years ago. It was made by a prisoner, was stolen from the institution and subsequently recovered by chance. Mr. Williams ultimately became the owner. It is needless to say that the Williams' violin studio—if one may call it so—is a popular resort with amateur and professional violinists, artists and journalists. Here musical views are exchanged and old instruments discussed, tested and purchased. There is also to be found a choice library of the library of th irm for musical instruments as



HE music of the olden time re produced on the instruments of the olden time was the attraction that drew toof the olden time was the attraction that drew together a select gathering at Association Hall on Wednesday evening of last week, to hear the Dolmetsch Trio, a combination which, headed by Mr. Arnold Dolmetsch, is widely known both in London and New York. The recital was instructive, it was interesting, it was restful in these days of musical storm and stress, and the music, quaint but dignified, had withal a naive melodic charm. The old instruments upon which the trio performed were the lute, the instrument which is thought to have suggested the viols, and later the violin, the clavichord, the virginal, the harpsichord, one of the precursors of the pianoforte, the viol da gamba and the viol d'amore. The double harpsichord which was used on this occasion was, it is said, made in 1640 at Antwerp, and rebuilt in 1764 by Taskin of Paris. It has two keyboards, and by means of stops, as Mr. Dolmetsch illustrated, is capable of varied degrees of power and tone character. Dynamically the instrukeyboards, and by means of stops, as Mr. Dolmetsch illustrated, is capable of varied degrees of power and tone character. Dynamically the instrument, like all the keyboard instruments not operated by means of hammers, is weak, but the tone, if unaggressive, is pure, and suggests often the harp, from which it took its name. Miss Kathleen Salmon, the vocalist of the trio, played on this instrument Handel's Chaconne, a composition consisting of a series of variations on a ground bass, which she executed with clean-cut precision and which proved to have intrinsic musical merit. Mr. Arnold Dolmetsch gave another solo illustration of the harpsichord with J. S. Bach's Toccata in G major, as originally written for it, and played it with much executive ability. The viol da gamba, the progenitor of the violoncello, was essayed by Mrs. Mabel Dolmetsch, whose chief number was a Sonata in D minor, composed by Augusto Kuhnel, 1685. This was a delicate piece, the music, while suggestive of more modern developments of the form, having a quaint formality and decorousness that constituted a charm. Mr. Arnold Dolmetsch played the lute both in solo and accompaniment. One of the most delightful items on the programme was in fact Miss Kathleen Salmon's song, played the lute both in solo and accompaniment. One of the most delightful items on the programme was in fact Miss Kathleen Salmon's song, "As I Walked Forth One Summer Day," with lute accompaniment, supposed to have been written by Rob Johnson about 1610. Miss Salmon sang with an unaffected style and a fresh, maidenly voice that intensified the strange, appealing simplicity of this old lyric. The viol d'amore was played upon by Mr. Arnold Dolmetsch, who displayed its qualities in Negri's Milanese dance, "Nobilitad Amore," dated 1512. The tone, while suggestive of the harp, has a peculiarly veiled quality and is capable of certain characteristic effects that cannot be obtained on the violin or viola. Mr. Dolmetsch, to add to his achievements, gave, on the virginal, a polacca written by Picch in 1620. The virginal in question was made in 1550. Finally he showed what a Bach prelude for the well-tempered clavier sounded like when interpreted on the clavichord. The concerts of the Dolmetsch Trio are of a kind that would not be welcomed in Toronto as annual events, but one would not, perhaps, care to hear two in a week. It is perhaps almost superfluous to say that the people of this generation require for their regular musical stimulus a more emotional, soul-searching music than these antique instruments are capable of producing.

A recital was given in the hall of the Toronto College of Music on Saturday, December 2nd, by pupils of Dr. Torrington. The following programme was given: Piano, Beethoven, "Adagio Grazioso," Sonata, Op. 31, Gertrude Anderson; Wieniawski, "Valse de Concert," Molna O'Connor; Verdi-Liszt, "Rigoletto," Mamie McDonald; Chopin, "Berceuse" in D flat, Muriel Hall; Chopin, Sonata, Op. 35, two movements, Schubert-Liszt, "The Erl King," Wagner-Liszt, "Overture to Tann-Schuoert-Liszt, "The Erl King," Wagner-Liszt, "Overture to Tannhauser," Dollie Blair. Vocal: Beethoven, "Knowest Thou the Land," Schumann, "Devotion," Eveline Ashworth; Mendelssohn, "The First Violet," Margaret Casey; Verdi, "Ah forse lui," Nellie Van Camp; Sullivan, "The Lost Chord." Olive Scholey.

The Toronto soprano, Miss Hope Morgan, is the leading artist in the Grand English Concert Company, who will appear at Massey Hall on Monday

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back she proved herself to be a pleas-ing vocalist with a voice of good carrying power and an unaffected carrying power and an unaffected style. She gave an aria from Saint-Saens' "Samson and Delilah," but her most felicitous efforts were in the English songs she subsequently contributed, more especially a couple by Woodforde-Finden, an engaging "Indian Love" song, and "The Temple Bells." Assistance was given by Miss Lina Adamson, solo violinist, who was in splendid form, and played with much purity of tone and intonation; Miss Eugenie Quehen, solo pianist, who rendered delightfully Godard's "Barcarolle" and Moszkowski's "Joyful Moment;" Miss Lois Winlow, violoncello, whose solo number was "Joyful Moment;" Miss Lois Winlow, violoncello, whose solo number was Popper's Spanish dance, "Vito," and Mr. R. S. Pigott, who sang with much feeling and also gave a musical reading, "At the Opera." The Misses Quehen, Adamson and Winlow also played a couple of trios by Godard and Chaminade with an excellent ensemble effect. The accompanist for Madame Berrill was Miss Josephine Egan, who acquitted herself worthly in that capacity.

The Sherlock Male Quartette and Sherlock Concert Company have been meeting with their accustomed success this season. Concerts have been given in Columbus, Meadowvale, Parry Sound, Stouffville, Cookstown, Elora, Niagara Falls, Speyside, Glanford, Odessa, Mono Road, Greenbank and other places, while engagements are booked in the near future for Mono Road, Kingston, Almonte, Smith's Falls, Embro, Midland and Brockville.

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Of Madame de Diaz Albertini's proficiency as a musician, perhaps the greatest compliment in her career was paid her by the late Theodore Thomas, who entrusted her with the singing of the part "Eurydice" in Gluck's classic opera without a rehearsal. The prima donna was suddenly indisposed Saturday morning, and word was sent to Madame Albertini to go at once to the Academy of Music. Theodore Thomas and his incomparable company of one hundred musicians were there assembled. Without any preliminaries Mr. Thomas said: "We will try the last half of the duet, if you please." After a few bars, with the tap of his baton the rehearsal was discontinued, Mr. Thomas saying, "You will be ready to sing the role of Eurydice at the matinee." Without any further comment the part of Eurydice was taken in the most masterly manner, and so successful was she that this role was allotted permanently to her when given in Boston, Chicago and all the large cities of the United States, Madame Albertini has kindly consented to assist Mr. Frank Welsman at his piano recital on Tuesday next, and this will be her first public appearance in the city.

The organ recital given in the Con-

The organ recital given in the Conservatory Music Hall on Saturday afternoon by advanced students of Miss Jessie C. Perry, Mr. J. W. F. Harrison and Mr. A. S. Vogt, was a most interesting and creditable one, the young players giving evidence of ability and practical training in the work, which was most gratifying as giving promise of at least a partial solution of the great problem of supplying organists for the many vacant positions throughout the Dominion. The programme was representative of some of the best organ schools, including Widor, Wheeler, Saint-Saens, Guilmant, Mendelssohn, Freyer and Lemmens, and the pupils who took part were Mr. Walter H. Hungerford, Mr. A. E. Redsall, Miss Daisy Faed, Miss Ina Spencer, Mr. T. Herbert Parry, Miss Luella Knapp, Mr. Norman Ives and Miss Mabel Angel. Pleasing vocal numbers were contributed by Miss Smellie, a pupil of Mr. R. S. Pigott, who gave Kathleen Meyer's "Thanks of Dew" and Hawley's "Love's Enchantment;" the duets, "Wanderers' Nachtlied" and "Sang das Vogelein," by Rubinstein, sung by Miss E. Gertrude Lowry and Miss Marion Lewis, pupils of Dr. Albert Ham. A violin solo, the Romance from Wieniawski's second concerto, was contributed by Mr. W. George Rutherford, a pupil of Mrs. Drechsler-Adamson.

Grand English Concert Company, who will appear at Massey Hall on Monday evening. Her associates are Mme. Beatrice Langley, the solo violinist who made so great an impression here when with the Albani company; Miss Myrtle Meggy, solo pianist, said to be a brilliant and gifted performer, and Mr. Stanley Adams, baritone, a singer with a fine voice and style.

Mr. Frank Welsman, who now takes a foremost place in the ranks of Canadian solo pianists, announces a recital on Tuesday evening in Association Hall. He has been playing with great success in several places in the province. He will be assisted by the distinguished artiste, Mme. de Diaz Albertini, Mr. Welsman will play the Allegro of Beethoven's Contestra will appear at its full symptome. At the Toronto concerts of the Mendelby the distinguished artiste, Mme. de Diaz Albertini, Mr. Welsman will play the Allegro of Beethoven's Sonata, Op. 31, No. 3, Schumani's "Carnival," Chopin's Nocturne in Fsharp minor and Scherzo in B minor, and the Schubert-Tausig "Military March."

Madame Rose Berrill, the English soprano who recently came to reside in this city, made her debut locally at Massev Hall on Thursday evening of last week. There was an appreciative audience, who raceived the singer with masy flattering expressions of approval. Madame Berrill was unfortunately suffering from indisposition, but in spite of this draw-disposition, but in spite of this draw-disposition.

more popular numbers, making in all the greatest orchestral scheme ever announced in Toronto in connection with any of our concert enterprises. In Buffalo a special group of guarantors are providing for three concerts in that city by the Pittsburg Orchestra this year, and under a similar arrangement four concerts have been announced at intervals in Cleveland, this action being an echo of the tremendous enthusiasm created by Mr. Paur's conducting in these two important places. places.

Mr. Edward Broome, the talented Montreal composer, who spent a portion of last season in a special course of study under Hamish MacCunn in London, and in some work at Munich, has composed a very effective setting of "Crossing the Bar," for chorus unaccompanied, the dedication of which has been accepted by Mr. A. S. Vogt's church choir. The work, which is published by Ditson of Boston, is in Mr. Broome's best style, and shows the effect of his recent study shows the effect of his recent study abroad in its clear development.

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The Paris correspondent of The London "Telegraph" describes a storm in a teacup at the Conservatoire. Mr. Dujardin-Beaumetz is an under-secretary of state for fine arts, who is fired with the ambition to reform the century-old institution. One of his reforms has been to appoint on the directing council a musical critic. From this horrid innovation came all the ire. The unkindest cut was that the critic chosen was Mr. Pierre Lalo, son of the late composer Edouard Lalo, who writes once a week in the "Temps," usually with acumen, but often with acerbity. He has rather frequently had a jibe at Mr. Theodore Dubois, a meritorious but scarcely brilliant composer. Mr. Dubois, on leaving the Conservatoire, which he directed for several years, was naturally made a member of the directing council. But the nomination of so outspoken a musical critic as Mr. Lalo goaded him to desperation. After announcing in public that he looked upon Mr. Lalo's appointment as a direct insult to himself, he resigned. Dr. Camille Saint-Saens has followed suit, and Mr. Massenet's resignation is impending. One of the vacancies on the council is to be filled by Mr. Edouard Risler, the pianist. Mr. Dujardin-Beaumetz, undaunted by storms, continued his programme of reforms at the Conservatoire. One of his latest and best ideas is to establish at the institution a class for chamber music. It is an extraordinary fact that the Conservatoire possessed none before, all the classes being arranged for the study of separate instruments.

The present melodic drought in the musical world is doubtless responsible, in part, for the growing popularity of that prince of melodists, Chopin. Not content with putting his works on every concert programme, attempts have been made to transplant them to the stage for operas and ballets. Although so thoroughly idiomatic for the piano, attempts are also being made to orchestrate them for the concert hall. Thus Louis Oertel of Hanover announces a Chopin Suite for grand orchestra, arranged by R. Herfarth. It consists of five numbers, and contains two preludes, a polonaise, an étude, a valse and a scherzo.

Engelbert Humperdinck, the gifted composer of "Hänsel und Gretel," has written some charming music for "The Merchant of Venice," a sort of musical setting to the scene in which Bassanio makes choice of the right casket, and also a nocturne for the last act in the garden at Belmont. This exquisite composition reaches its highest point in the love scene between Lorenzo and Jessica.

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Colonel and Mrs. Hanbury-Williams entertained informally at dinner on Thursday evening, Captain and Mrs. Eaton, Miss Elsie Ritchie, Miss Mollie Cartwright, Captain Trotter, A.D.C., and Mr. Ewart being present.

Mrs. Avlesworth, wife of the Post.

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It is this season's vehicle for Frank

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Mr. Daniels will be assisted during his engagement here by Sallie Fisher, Clara Belle Jerome, Charlotte Leslay, Annabelle Whitford, Mabel Lloyd, Greta Burdick, Charles Drew, Gilbert Clayton, George Lestocq, Charleworth Meakins and others.



Mrs. Frederick H. Deacon (née Emmerson) will hold her post-nuptial reception at her home, 23 Admiral road, on the afternoon and evening of Tuesday. December 12th.

Mrs. J. W. Baillie (née Ambrose) will receive for the first time since her marriage, at her home, No. 3 Dunbar road, on Monday next, December 11th, and each Monday after the New Year.

Mrs. Harry Symons will receive at her new residence, 98 Madison ave-nue, on Friday, December 15th, and afterwards on the first and third

The engagement is announced of Miss Katie Talbot Heald, elder daughter of the late William Heald. Toronto, and Mr. Thomas Stafford Woods, second son of Judge Woods of Stratford. The marriage will take place quietly in St. James' Church, St. Marys, on Saturday, December 16th, at one o'clock.

The engagement of Miss Edith Wright, daughter of Dr. Adam Wright, and Mr. George Snively is announced. As both these young people are very popular, congratulations are of unusual heartiness.

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The November meeting of the Toronto branch of the Dickens Fellowship was held at St. George's Hall last Thursday evening, when about sixty members attended. The president, in opening the meeting, stated that the Winnipeg branch, on the occasion of his recent visit to that city, had reducested him to convey to the Toronto Society their greetings and good wishes. Mr. James L. Hughes, vice-president, then took charge, and the remainder of the evening was devoted to "Hard Times." Mr. Hughes dealt with the educational side of the story, and Messrs. J. W. Bengough and W. B. Tindall with the industrial side. Miss Sparrow contributed two vocal selections and Miss Malcolm gave a reading. It was unanimously decided that the December meeting should take the form of an entertainment for the purpose of raising funds to establish a Dickens Cot in the Home for Incurable Children. The entertainment will be held on Wednesday, December 13th, at Guild Hall. The programme will include "Dickens Characters Up to Date," by J. W. Bengough: "Scenes in Literary England," by Frank Yeigh; "Homes, Portraits and Characters of Dickens," by E. S. Williamson, and musical numbers. The admission will be voluntary, and it is intended to devote the entire proceeds to the Cot Fund. All Dickens lovers, whether members of the Fellowship or not, are cordially invited to help in making this entertainment a success. entertainment a success

A dispute, or rather discussion, as to the correct pronunciation of "Spadina" was going on at the dance on Tuesday. "I call it "Spad-y-na," said one. "And Spadeena is much prettier," retorted the other. "You are both wrong," said a man, "for it is an Indian word, with the accent on the first syllable." So you who strain after correctness will kindly say "Spad-ina" for the future.

Little Miss Elvira Stirling, a débutante, looked very pretty at the various smart functions of the past week. She and her mother, Mrs. Stirling, are visiting Mrs. Strathy in Walmer road, and received with her yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. W. C. Fox gave a bridge and tea yesterday for Mrs. Stratton, who has been in town.

Mrs. Archibald of 327 College street held her post-nuptial receptions on Thursday and yesterday afternoons. Mrs. Archibald has had her welcome ready for some time from the many friends of her husband, Dr. T. D. Archibald, who has been for years a resident of Toronto. Dr. and Mrs. Archibald were among the guests at Government House dance.

Mrs. James Henderson gave a tea in her new home in North Madison avenue on Wednesday. It is some time since Mr. and Mrs. Henderson resided at No. 18, where a paper announced the tea would be given, and where Mr. and Mrs. Calderwood have been in occupancy for months.

On the afternoon of December 14th there will be opened the muchtalked-of Gift Fête and Made-in-Toronto Fair. There is, for example, Elizabeth's German Garden, where you can wander apart in a bower and admire the endless variety of the flowers that bloom in December. Each flower grows tall on a stem of its own, and when you pay its price you pluck it up by the root, which you find to consist of a present valuable or trifling according to the price you pay. Another attraction will be the Klondike Mine, where children can dig for nuggets in the sand. Then there is the glass-blowing by Dr. Kenrick of the Varsity, who will show how a real doll's decanter, with a stopper to it and a handle, can be made in 50 seconds. He also makes cats while you wait, and other wild animals, all to be auctioned off afterwards. Afternoon tea, as always, will be a great attraction, and in the evening Japanese teawill be served. The café chatant is gotten up by Mrs. H. C. Osborne, and all evening long we prophesy that none of the little tables in the pretty room will be vacant. On the afternoon of December

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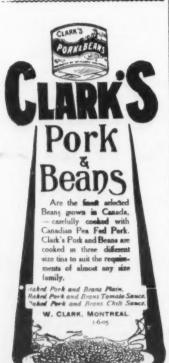
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His Excellency the Governor-General Miss Alice Miss Alice Alice

His Excellency the Governor-General, Lady Grey and party went down to Montreal on Thursday to attend the St. -ndrew's ball, returning to Ottawa on Saturday.

Ottawa on Saturday.

Mrs. Charles O'Connor entertained at a delightful tea on Tuesday in honor of her guest, Miss Nanno Hughes of Toronto. Miss Hughes has on several occasions been a popular visitor in the Capital, and a great many of those present on Tuesday were glad to renew their friendship and welcome her back to

friendship and welcome her back to the Capital once more.

The engagement of Miss Nannie Girouard, daughter of the Chief Justice and Madame Girouard, and sister to Sir Percy Girouard, to Mr. J. Laurence Russell of Montreal, is announced.

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Mrs. R. L. Borden entertained at luncheon on Thursday in honor of her guest, Mrs. Ritchie of Halifax. Mrs. George Patterson Murphy, Mrs. Grierson, Mrs. Robert Frazer and her guest, Miss Owen of Bridgewater, were among those present.

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Senator and Mrs. Kirchhoffer and Miss Kathleen Kirchhoffer are expected in Ottawa for the session, and have taken a suite of rooms at the Grand Union.

Mrs. Nicholas Slater gave a delightful girls' luncheon on Wednesday for her daughter, Miss Mary Slater, when Miss Louie Douglas, Miss Constance Dale Harriss, Miss Beatrice Burbidge, Miss Ruth Sherwood, Miss Lorothy Fletcher and Miss Kitty White were present.

Colonel and Mrs. Hanbury-Williams entertained informally at dinner on Thursday evening, Captain and Mrs. Eaton, Miss Elsie Ritchie, Miss Mollie Cartwright, Captain Trotter, A.D.C., and Mr. Ewart being present.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Smellie, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Jones, Miss Ethel Jones, Miss Ethel Jones, Miss Lola Powell and Mr. Gladwyn McDougall had the honor of dining informally with Their Excellencies at Government House on Wednesday

might.
Mrs. Dale Harriss entertained at a Mrs. Dale Harriss entertained at a large tea on Friday, and was assisted in receiving the numerous guests by her graceful young débutante daughter, Miss Constance, who wore a simple girlish dress of white. The tea-table, with its mass of white 'mums, was presided over by Mrs. Charles Bates, whose able assistants were Miss Aimee Haycock, Miss Elsie Burn, Miss Marjorie Powell, Miss Constance Dunlevie, Miss Nahni Power, Miss Hope Wurtele and Miss Winnifred Selwyn.

Ottawa, December 3rd, 1905.

Interesting .Musical Events.

Two interesting musical events oc-cur at Massey Hall on Saturday and Monday evenings next, December 9th



MME. GADSKI.

name is not so well known locally, her rank in the operatic and musica

two covers, given by Mr. and Mrs. Collingwood Schreiber on Friday night, the other guests being Miss Ethel White, Miss Mary Sparks, Miss McLimont of Montreal, Miss Etsic Ritchie, Miss Mollie Cartwright, Captain Newton. A.D.C., Mr. Roland McLimont (Montreal), Mr. Edward Fauquier, Mr. Sam McDougall, Mr. Gladwin McDougall, Mr. David Gilmour, Mr. Pugsley, Mr. Appleton, Mr. Pugsley, Mr. Appleton, Mr. Gladwyn McDougall, Mr. David Gilmour, Mr. Pugsley, Mr. Appleton, Mrs. Fred Carling entertained at an informal tea on Saturday in honor of Miss Jessie Gilmour.

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Dr. Drummond of Montreal was the raison d'etre, claimed as its hostess Lady Ritchie. A few of those present were Mrs. R.L. Borven and her guest, Mrs. Ritchie of Halifax, Miss Oliver, Miss Lola Powell, Mrs. Arthur Sladen, the Misses Kingsford, Mrs.

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ments, and also in Italy and on the Continent. She has been receiving the hignest praise from critics.

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The Princess Next Week.

It is not an everyday occurrence that an English musical comedy piece produced in London, and winning successes of an unusual kind, can be made to duplicate its record when it has been transferred to an American stage and entrusted to an American company.

But that is what has happened in the case of "Sergeant Brue," which will be the offering at the Princess Theater on Monday night and all

It is this season's vehicle for Frank

Daniels, who is regarded by a good many people as one of the funniest men before the public. His comedy last year, "The Office Boy," was a wonderfully successful affair, but "Sergeant Brue" is said to be a thing to make "The Office Boy" book meek and remote.

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Mr. Daniels will be assisted during his engagement here by Sallie Fisher, Clara Belle Jerome, Charlotte Leslay, Annabelle Whitford, Mabel Lloyd, Greta Burdick, Charles Drew, Gilbert Clayton, George Lestocq, Charleworth Meakins and others.



Mrs. Frederick H. Deacon (née Emmerson) will hold her post-nuptial reception at her home, 23 Admiral road, on the afternoon and evening of Tuesday. December 12th.

Mrs. J. W. Baillie (née Ambrose) will receive for the first time since her marriage, at her home, No. 3 Dunbar road, on Monday next, December 11th, and each Monday after the New Year.

Mrs. Harry Symons will receive at her new residence, 98 Madison ave-nue, on Friday, December 15th, and afterwards on the first and third

The engagement is announced of Miss Katie Talbot Heald, elder daughter of the late William Heald. Toronto, and Mr. Thomas Stafford Woods. second son of Judge Woods of Stratford. The marriage will take place quietly in St. James' Church, St. Marys, on Saturday, December 16th, at one o'clock.

The engagement of Miss Edith Wright, daughter of Dr. Adam Wright, and Mr. George Snivelv is announced. As both these young people are very popular, congratulations are of unusual heartiness.

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The November meeting of the Toronto branch of the Dickens Fellowship was held at St. George's Hall last Thursday evening, when about sixty members attended. The president, in opening the meeting, stated that the Winnipeg branch, on the occasion of his recent visit to that city, had requested him to convey to the Toronto Society their greetings and good wishes. Mr. James L. Hughes, vice-president, then took charge, and the remainder of the evening was devoted to "Hard Times." Mr. Hughes dealt with the educational side of the story, and Messrs. J. W. Bengough and W. B. Tindall with the industrial side. Miss Sparrow contributed two vocal selections and Miss Malcolm gave a reading. It was unanimously decided that the December meeting should take the form of an entertainment for the purpose of raising funds to establish a Dickens Cot in the Home for Incurable Children. The entertainment will be held on Wednesday, December 13th, at Guild Hall. The programme will include "Dickens Characters Up to Date," by J. W. Bengough; "Scenes in Literary England," by Frank Yeigh; "Homes, Portraits and Characters of Dickens," by E. S. Williamson, and musical numbers. The admission will be voluntary, and it is intended to devote the entire proceeds to the Cot Fund. All Dickens lovers, whether members of the Fellowship or not, are cordially invited to help in making this entertainment a success.

A dispute, or rather discussion, as to the correct pronunciation of "Spadina" was going on at the dance on Tuesday. "I call it "Spad-y-na," said one. "And Spadeena is much prettier," retorted the other. "You are both wrong," said a man, "for it is an Indian word, with the accent on the first syllable." So you who strain after correctness will kindly say "Spad-ina" for the future.

Little Miss Elvira Stirling, a débu-tante, looked very pretty at the vari-ous smart functions of the past week. She and her mother, Mrs. Stirling, are visiting Mrs. Strathy in Walmer road, and received with her yester-day afternoon.

Mrs. W. C. Fox gave a bridge and tea yesterday for Mrs. Stratton, who has been in town.

Mrs. Archibald of 327 College street held her post-nuptial receptions on Thursday and yesterday afternoons. Mrs. Archibald has had her welcome ready for some time from the many friends of her husband, Dr. T. D. Archibald, who has been for years a resident of Toronto. Dr. and Mrs. Archibald were among the guests at Government House dance.

Mrs. James Henderson gave a tea in her new home in North Madison avenue on Wednesday. It is some time since Mr. and Mrs. Henderson resided at No. 18, where a paper announced the tea would be given, and where Mr. and Mrs. Calderwood have been in occupancy for months.

On the afternoon of December 14th there will be opened the muchtalked-of Gift Fête and Made-in-To-ronto Fair. There is, for example, Elizabeth's German Garden, where you can wander apart in a bower and admire the endless variety of the flowers that bloom in December. Each flower grows tall on a stem of its own, and when you pay its price you pluck it up by the root, which you find to consist of a present valuable or trifling according to the price you pav. Another attraction will be the Klondike Mine, where children can dig for nuggets in the sand. Then there is the glass-blowing by Dr. Kenrick of the Varsity, who will show how a real doll's decanter, with a stopper to it and a handle, can be made in 59 seconds. He also makes cats while you wait, and other wild animals, all to be auctioned off afterwards. Afternoon tea, as always, will be a great attraction, and in the evening Japanese tea will be served. The café chatant is gotten up by Mrs. H. C. Osborne, and all evening long we prophesy that none of the little tables in the pretty room will be vacant. On the afternoon of December

Mr. Norman S. Boyd spent a few days with his parents this week, Mr. and Mrs. J. Tower Boyd, 127 Bedford road. He has been transferred from the Bank of Montreal, Stratford, to the Bank of Montreal, Brandon, Man.



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Limited. Interviewed, Mr. Bristol said:

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Mrs. Rolland Hills gave a large diality of Mrs. Rolland Hills and ner amiable daughters, who were in their best form on Wednesday. The prizes were won by Mrs. Jack Boyd and Miss Maud Burnham of Port Hope, and were a beautiful cup and saucer and a handsome vase.

The dance to which so many are looking forward to be given at Benvenuto is fixed, I believe, for January 4th, when Miss Katherine Mackenzie's friends will rejoice upon her début in her own home.

Mrs. Warren is giving a dance for her débutante, Miss Patti, on January 2nd, and Mrs. Matthews is giving one for Miss Ina on or about December 27th. Invitations were out at mid-week for what many of us think quite the smartest dance of the season, when the officers of Stanley Barracks will entertain at the King Edward on December 29th, at nine o'clock. This is sure to be the most brilliant dance of a very brilliant month. The officers and members of the U. C. C. Rifle Corps are at home at 8.30. December 20th.

An afternoon tea and sale of work was held in St. James' schoolhouse yesterday by the members of the Junior Auxiliary. The Misses Sarah and Ella Shoenberger, Alice Hagarty, Helen Grindlay, Muriel and Dorothy Strathy, Phyllis Hellmuth, Eleanor Gooderham, Dorothy Massey, Violet Heward, Adele Harman, Jessie Cassels, Helen Brough, Clare Denison, Adelaide Moss, Frou Le Messurier, Meta Cross, Marietta Gooderham, Lorna Ham, Edith Millen, Gwen Campbell, Genevieve Morrison, Marian Welch and Master Jim Welch. Miss Aileen Gooderham, their president, worked hard with the

enthusiastic juniors to make their sale which this year very much enlarged ts border) a great success.

The Canadian Society of Applied Art gave a private view of their ex-hibition last night.

One of last week's pleasant teas was given by Mrs. D. J. McKinnon, who had Mrs. McEachren of the Junction receiving with her, the hostess in a becoming black gown and the

Mr. Harold Key the handsome oung Englishman who was recently a town with his parents, who came rom England to Canada on a visit from England to Canada on a visit in September, gave a song recital in St. Thomas last month, which made him known far and wide as an artist of considerable finish. Mr. Harold Key is the organist and choirmaster of the First Methodist Church, St. Thomas. The local paner says: "He is of fine physique and looks what he is, a typical Englishman: his voice is baritone of flexible timbre, wide compass and volume as well as being pass and volume as well as being sweet and mellow."

Mrs. Gordon Osler had half a dozen friends in for a quiet bridge on Monday, but is not entertaining, as her house is not yet quite settled

Mrs. Gzowski gave a small tea for Mrs. Molson Macoherson before she left. Mrs. Dobell, who has been so welcome a guest at Closeburn. left for home on Thursday. She received with Lady Kirkpatrick on Wednesday and for the third time the big drawing-room was filled with smart visitors. Alse Kirkpatrick has gone to Bowmanville for the winter, and I hear Lady Kirkpatrick wishes to rent Closeburn and go abroad for a time.

Mrs. Bristol gave a delightful tea for girls on Monday, the raison d'etre being the visit of her niece. Miss Lilv Bristol of Hamilton. Mrs Bolte poured tea for her sister's young guests, who were mostly dé-butantes of '04 and '05.

Mrs. Hagarty gave a coming-out tea for her débutante, Miss Katie Ha-garty, last Saturday, and many guests of both sexes, despite the dull wea-ther, turned out to honor the occa-

sion. The débutante, who had hurried home from the luncheon at Mc-Conkey's, was in a becoming dress of pale blue and carried pink roses. Miss Clara, Mr. Harry and Mr. Arthur Hagarty looked after the guests in the tea-room, where the decorations were yellow 'mums and daisies.

Mrs. Gregory Cox of Ottawa has been spending a fortnight with Mrs. George P. Reid.

The second annual ball of the I. A. A. A. was held at McConkey's last Friday, and was a crush, hundreds of young folks being present. The arrangements were excellent and the evening greatly enjoyed by all.

On the same evening, December 1st, Victoria and McMaster Universities held their annual At Homes, at which the students and their friends had a very delightful time.

Mrs. Haney of "Clifden" is giving an At Home next Tuesday and a not-out dance on December 28th. Mrs. Cross of St. George street is giving a tea this afternoon, Mrs. Howard Irish gave a tea on Thursday at McConkey's, and is giving a dance in the Metropolitan Assembly Rooms, College street. Mrs. J. Enoch Thompson gave a tea at her home, to 4 St. Vincent street, on Thursday. Miss Frances Tupper of Winnipeg is visiting Mrs. Percy Galt.

The Gadski concert to-night will be an attraction to music-lovers, as was the Marie Hall concert Thursday evening. This is Madame Gadski's first visit to Toronto.

Knox College annual At Home was on last evening, when the usual re-ception, refreshments and amuse-ments interested the usual huge crowd of collegians and their friends.

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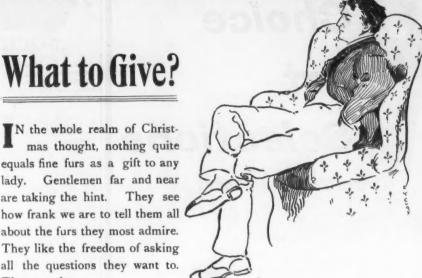
Miss Nan Huston has gone to her sister, Miss Margaret Huston, for a long visit. Miss Margaret has a very cosy pied-a-terre in London.

Mr. and Mrs. Henri Suydam have the sympathy of all their friends in the trving and prolonged illness of their son at the Queen's. Their new home in Chestnut Park, Rosedyle, has been for many weeks awaiting the convalescence of young Suydam,

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Ignorant Kid.

Little Boy (looking at a music atalogue)—Say, pop, who was Mozart? Father-Mozart? Gad, my boy, go and read your Bible.

English Christmas Numbers.

The Christmas numbers of the "Il-ustrated London News," "Graphic," "Pears' Annual" and "Holly Leaves" are to hand from the Toronto News Co., who have a full supply on hand. As usual these English holiday pub-lications are very interesting and handsome, and are accompanied by excellent colored pictures.

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Births.

ABBOTT—Toronto, December 5,
Mrs. C. Abbott, Jr., a son.
CHURCH—London, November 26,
Mrs. H. W. Church, a son.
ALLEY—Toronto, December 4, Mrs.
J. A. M. Alley, a daughter,
CAMPBELL.—Toronto, November 28, Mrs. W. A. Campbell, a daughter. DOHERTY-Toronto, Mrs. Alfred J. Doherty, a son.
ROAF-Michel, B.C., December 2,
Mrs. J. Richardson Roaf, a daughter.
VIVIAN—Toronto, December 2,
Mrs. George L. Vivian, a son.
WATT—Toronto, December 3, Mrs.
H. L. Watt, a daughter.

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vears.
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years and 3 months.
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Mrs. Harry E. Davidson.
DEATH — Mimico, December 3.
George Herbert Death.
DONLEY—Toronto, December 3.
Rachel Donley, aged 81 years.
FENWICK—Toronto, November 30.
M. M. Fenwick.
GILPIN—Aberfovle, December 4.
Rev. John W. Gilpin.
GRANT—Toronto, November 30.
Mrs. Robert A. Grant.
GRANT—Toronto, November 30.
Amy Grant.
HALL—Toronto, November 30.
Amy Grant.
HARLINGTON—Toronto, December 3.
Mrs. HarRINGTON—Toronto, December 3.
Mrs. Elizabeth Harrington, aged 60 years.
JUKES—Vancouver, December 3.
Augustus Jukes, aged 84 years. William Thomas Atkin JUKES—Vancouver, December Augustus Jukes, aged 84 years. KAY—Port Swiney, November 30, Anne Maria Kay, aged 87 years. KYLE—Toronto, December 2, John Kyle, aged 83, years Kyle aged 82 years. MACKENZIE-Toronto, November

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MAILE — Toronto, December 1, Feank Maile, aged 47 years.

McAULEY—Toronto, John McCauley, aged 68 years.

McLAUGHLIN — Newmarket, December 4. Mrs. Johanna McLaughlin, aged 64 years.

MORPHY—Toronto, November 20. Wellington Morphy, aged 32 years.

PASSMORE—Toronto, December 1,

TH-Grace Hospital, December Frederick Bulkeley Smith, aged 13 years. SMITH-Toronto, December 4, Mrs.

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TURNER—Toronto, December 4, Mrs. Walter Turner, aged 43 years.
VIVIAN—Toronto, December 2, George Vivian, infant son of George L. and Anna Vivian.
WOODS—Toronto, December 1, Mrs. Sarah Woods.
JOHNSTON—Toronto, December 6, Thomas Henry Johnston, aged 57 years.

years. STOW-Toronto, December 6, Mary Stow.
WRIGHT—General Hospital, Toronto, December 6, Rev. Walter Graham Wright, aged 24 years.
BULMAN—Toronto, December 6,

Frank Bulman, aged 30 years.
BULMER—Toronto, December Mrs. Mary Bulmer, aged 72 years.

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